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DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN

WHICH MET IN

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GRAND HAVEN,

ON

TUESDAY-THURSDAY, JUNE 4-6, 1895.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.
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TO REPORT AT THE NEXT CONVENTION.

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Committee on Observance of Special Days.

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The Rev. Edward M. Duff,
Mr. E. F. Sweet.

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DIGEST OF THE CANONS.

TITLE I—CANON 18.

GENERAL REGULATION OF MINISTERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

§ 1. [1] It is hereby required that, on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form or to this effect:

We, the Church Wardens, (or in case of an Assistant Minister, we, the Rector and Church Wardens), to the Right Rev. (naming the Bishop), or to the Rev. (naming the President of the Standing Committee) that (naming the person) has been duly chosen Rector (or Assistant Minister, as the case may be) of (naming the Parish or Church).

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of those who certify.

N. B.—The *date* of election to the Rectorship should be given in the Canonical notice sent to the Bishop.

§ 2. No Minister moving from one Diocese or Missionary District to another shall officiate as the Rector or Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate in the words following:

I do hereby certify that the Rev. A—— B—— has been Canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a minister in regular standing.

TITLE II.—CANON 12.

REGULATIONS RESPECTING THE LAITY.

§ 1. A Communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a Communicant until such letter shall be produced.

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DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

CANON IX—OF VACANT CHURCHES.

SECTION I. Whenever a Church becomes vacant it shall be the duty of the Vestry to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop.

SEC. 2. Prior to the election of a Minister to any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall inform the Bishop of the name and residence of the person they propose to elect; and it shall be unlawful for the Parish or Vestry to take action on any name until the receipt of the Bishop's acknowledgment of such notification and of his accompanying suggestion, if there be any: Provided, he be at the time within the territory of the United States, and that his reply be not deferred longer than thirty days after the receipt of such notification. On the election of a Minister, they shall deliver or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, a notice of the same; and if the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee be satisfied that the person so chosen be a qualified Minister of the Church, and accepts the same, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall transmit the said certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book for that purpose, and such record shall be legal evidence of the certified relationship between the Minister and the Parish. If, after the expiration of six months, the Vestry of the Church which has become vacant shall fail to call or settle a Minister, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to appoint one, and he shall notify the Vestry of such appointment, and upon their concurrence, the Minister so appointed shall become Rector of the Church.

SEC. 3. The Bishop may appoint Clergy in the Diocese, or others who can with most convenience discharge the duty, to supply such vacant Parishes, at such time as may be deemed convenient and proper. It shall be the duty of such vacant churches thus supplied to defray all the expenses incidental to such occasional services.

THE BISHOP'S TRUST FUND.

Resolved, That at the Episcopal visitations the offerings, after the Bishop's traveling expenses have been paid, be hereafter devoted to a Bishop's Trust Fund.—Convention, 1889.

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DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN
A. D. 1895.

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

The Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D., Grand Rapids.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Elk Rapids.

Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., Assistant Secretary.

REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE.

Rev. A. E. Wells, Traverse City.

TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION, OF THE CHRISTMAS FUND AND FOR ALL OBJECTS OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

Mr. William J. Dibble, Marshall.

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The Rev. M. H. Martin, in charge of "The Second Examination."

The Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., in charge of "The Third Examination."

The Rev. Lewis Brown, in charge of "The Examination of the literary qualifications of a Postulant or Candidate, and of a Candidate for the office and ministration of a Deacon only."

The Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION EX-OFFICIO.

The Bishop, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the Registrar, the members of the Standing Committee and of the Board of Missions, and the following members elected by the Convention:

Mr. Henry Brees, Mr. Noah P. Loveridge.
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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

President—The Right Reverend, the Bishop.
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CONVOCATIONS.

Grand Rapids—The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Secretary, Grand Rapids.

Kalamazoo—The Rev. W. W. Taylor, Hastings.

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Selected by the general convention:

The Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., Grand Haven.
The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., Grand Rapids.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes, Allegan.

Chosen by the convention:

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby, Coldwater.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes, Allegan.

LOCAL SECRETARIES AND OFFICERS.

For Domestic Missions—The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Benton Harbor.
For Foreign Missions—The Rev. W. W. Taylor, Hastings.
Nashotah House—Rev. W. E. Wright, B. D., Big Rapids.
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AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND COMMISSION.

Vice-President—The Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D.
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A LIST OF THE CLERGY

In the Order of Their Canonical Residence.

THE RT. REV. GEORGE DE NORMANDIE GILLESPIE, D. D.
Consecrated February 24, 1875.

NAME	RECEIVED	FROM WHAT DIOCESE
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, A. B.	Dec. 2, 1874...	Michigan
The Rev. Moseley Morris	Dec. 2, 1874...	Michigan
The Rev. John Newton Lippey. M. D.	Nov. 30, 1884..	Southern Ohio
The Rev G. C. V. Eastman, D. D.	Feb. 17, 1885..	Quincy
The Rev. J. Rice Taylor, M. A.	Feb. 20, 1885..	Vermont
The Rev. Sidney H. Woodford	Nov. 30, 1885..	North Dakota
The Rev. Henry Hughes	Sept. 6, 1886...	Michigan
The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.	Nov. 20, 1886..	Maryland
The Rev. Woodford P. Law	Nov. 26, 1887..	Iowa
The Rev. Albert E. Wells, B D.	April 3, 1888...	Nebraska
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.	April 17, 1888..	Central New York
The Rev. Wm. H. Antwerp, D D.	Oct 15, 1889...	Iowa
The Rev. H. H. Johnston	Nov. 11, 1889..	Toronto, Canada
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	Feb. 21, 1890	Nebraska
The Rev. Marcus H. Martin, A M.	Jan 15, 1891...	Ohio
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, S. T. B.	Jan. 29, 1891...	Albany
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, B. A.	Jan. 31, 1891...	Albany
The Rev Thomas Hines	Oct 14, 1891...	Chicago
The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne	Feb. 25, 1892..	Ohio
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff	Oct. 1, 1892..	Michigan
The Rev. W. W. Taylor	Nov. 6. 1892...	Pennsylvania
The Rev. Charles W. Ivie	Dec 6, 1892...	Milwaukee
The Rev. W. E. Wright, B. D.	Mar 28, 1893..	Long Island
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, Ph. D.	May 5, 1893...	Long Island
The Rev. E. W. Jewell	July 16, 1893..	Ordination
The Rev. Thomas H. Henley	Sept 20, 1893..	Ordination
The Rev. L. C. Rogers	Nov. 5, 1893...	Michigan
The Rev. W. Westover	May 22, 1894...	Quincy
The Rev. Lewis Brown	Feb. 7, 1894...	Southern Ohio
The Rev. Sidney Beckwith	Aug 14. 1894..	Michigan
The Rev. Edmund M Duff	Oct 11, 1894...	Michigan
The Rev. Karl G. Oppen. D. D.	Oct. 21, 1894...	Milwaukee
The Rev. Henry Sowerby	Mar. 26, 1895..	Shanghai
The Rev. William Lucas	June 4, 1895..	The Platte

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CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN, JUNE 4, 1895.

Those marked * are not entitled to seats in the Convention—Constitution, ART. VI. Those in italics were not present.

BISHOP.

The Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese (Consecrated S. Matthias' Day, February 24th, A. D., 1875.) Episcopal Residence, 162 Fountain Street, Grand Rapids.

PRESBYTERS.

Bancroft, Joseph W., A. B., General Missionary, Kalamazoo Convocation, Hastings.

Beckwith, Sidney, Rector Trinity Church, Marshall.

Brown, Lewis, B. D., Rector S. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek.

Claiborne, Robert R., Rector S. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo.

Duff, Edward M., A. M., Rector S. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids.

Eastman, G. C. V., D. D., P. O. Benton Harbor.

Fair, Campbell, D. D., Rector S. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids.

Gairdner, R. H. F., Rector Trinity Church, Niles.

Hines, Thomas, Rector Holy Trinity Church, Manistee.

Hubbs, J. Brewster, S. T. B., Rector Grace Church, Grand Rapids.

**Hughes, Henry*, P. O. Coldwater.

**Ivie, C. W.*, A. M., P. O. New York City.

Jewell, Ernest, W., B. A., Missionary, Emmanuel, Petoskey and Christ Church Mission, Charlevoix, P. O. Petoskey.

Law, Woodford P., General Missionary, Grand Rapids Convocation, Grand Rapids.

Lucas, Wm., Rector Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan.

Martin, Marcus H., A. M., Missionary, Grace, Holland, S. James', Rockford and S. Matthew's Grand Rapids, P. O. Grand Rapids.

Morris, Moseley, P. O. Kalamazoo.

Mosher, Philip W., B. A., Rector S. Paul's Church and in charge of S. Luke's Mission, Muskegon.

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Oppen, Carl E. G., officiating to the Germans at Manistee.

Rippey, John N., M. D., Rector S. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids and Missionary at East Jordan and Central Lake, P. O. Elk Rapids.

Rogers, L. C., Rector S. John's Church, Grand Haven.

*Sowerby, Herbert, Rector S. Mark's Church, Coldwater and Missionary at Quincy, P. O. Coldwater.

Taylor, W. W., B. A., Rector Emmanuel Church, Hastings.

Taylor, J. Rice, M. A., P. O. Hastings.

Thomas, W. H., Ph. D., Rector S. John's Church, Ionia.

**Van Antwerp, Wm. H.*, D. D., P. O. Tenafly, N. J.

Wells, Albert E., B. D., Rector Grace Church, Traverse City.

Westover, Wm., Missionary S. John's, Mt. Pleasant.

Wilkinson, Jas. E., Ph. D., Chaplain of Akeley Institute, Grand Haven.

Woodruff, Montgomery S., Missionary Holy Trinity Mission, Benton Harbor.

Wright, W. E., A. M. B. D., Rector S. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids.

**Woodford, S. H.*

DEACONS.

Henley, Thomas H,, Missionary S. James', Albion, Christ, Homer, P. O. Albion.

OFFICIATING IN THE DIOCESE.

Mann, A. W., General Missionary to Deaf Mutes, P. O. Cleveland, Ohio.

Reeves, A., M. D., in charge of S. John's Mission, Grand Rapids.

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THE CONVOCATIONS.

KALAMAZOO.

Secretary—Rev. W. W. Taylor, Hastings.

GRAND RAPIDS.

Secretary—Rev. Woodford P. Law, Grand Rapids.

List of Parishes, and when admitted to the Convention, and of Missions and of their date of organization.

Kalamazoo Convocation—Population 322,538.

PARISHES.

Albion, S. James'	Admitted	1840
Allegan, *Good Shepherd	"	1860
Battle Creek, *†S Thomas'	"	1 42
Coldwater, †S. Mark's	"	1848
Hastings, †Emmanuel	"	1864
Homer, Christ's	"	1841
Kalamazoo, *‡S. Luke's	"	1838
Marshall, *Trinity	"	1836
Niles, *Trinity	"	1834
Saugatuck, All Saints	"	1869
Three Rivers, Trinity	"	1864
Union City, Grace	"	1865

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	Organized	1882
Cassopolis, ‡S. James'	"	1891
Charlotte, Grace	Reorganized	1888
Quincy, S. John's	Organized	1882
Sturgis, ‡S. James'	"	1890
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	"	1891

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Otsego, Schoolcraft

SUSPENDED PARISHES.

Kalamazoo, S. John's	Date of Suspension		1884
St. Joseph, Christ	"	"	1879
Burr Oak, Grace	"	"	1880
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	"	"	1891
Mendon, S. Paul's	"	"	1881

MISSIONS.

South Haven, Trinity	Date of Suspension		1884
Plainwell, Trinity	"	"	1883
Eaton Rapids, S. Matthias	"	"	1891

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GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION.—Population 472,431.

PARISHES.

Big Rapids, *S. Andrew's	Admitted	1873
Elk Rapids, *S. Paul's	"	1871
Grand Haven, *S. John's	"	1886
Grand Rapids, *†S. Mark's	"	1836
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	"	1872
Grand Rapids, *Grace	"	1879
Grand Rapids, Trinity	"	1886
Holland, Grace	"	1868
Ionia, †S. John's	"	1841
Ludington, Grace	"	1883
Muskegon, *†S. Paul's	"	1860
Manistee, *Holy Trinity	"	1889
Saranac, Trinity	"	1860
Traverse City, Grace	"	1877

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Baldwin, *S. Matthew's	Organized	1879
Coopersville, Epiphany	"	1877
Charlevoix, Christ's	"	1887
Central Lake, S. Matthias'	"	1893
Greenville, S. Paul's	"	1881
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's	"	1893
Harbor Springs, S. John's	"	1883
Mt. Pleasant, *S. John's	"	1886
Muskegon, S. Luke's	"	1890
Newaygo, S. Mark's	"	1876
North Grand Rapids, S. Matthew's	"	1892
Pentwater, S. James'	"	1877
Petoskey, Emmanuel	"	1887
Rockford, S. James'	"	1887
South Grand Rapids, S. John's	"	1892
Tustin, S. Johannes	"	....
East Jordan, Redeemer	"	1887
Whitehall, Redeemer	"	1890

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Luther, Grand Ledge, Hart, Mancelona, Reed City, Sherman, Frankfort.

SUSPENDED PARISHES.

Greenville, S. Paul's	1879
Whitehall, Redeemer	1891
Courtland, S. Paul	1877
Plainfield, Christ	1877

MISSIONS.

Howard City	1884
Evart, S. Paul's	1891
Stanton, Grace	1892

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Farwell, Trinity 1882
Hersey, Grace 1882

TOTAL—Parishes, 26; Organized Missions, 24; whole number of places where services are held, 57.

Table of Population by Counties and Convocations, according to the Census of 1890.

KALAMAZOO CONVOCATION.

Allegan	38,961	Cass*	20,953
Barry	23,783	Eaton	32,094
Berrien	41,285	Kalamazoo	39,273
Branch	26,791	St. Joseph	25,356
Calhoun	43,501	Van Buren	30,541

Total Population ..... 322,538.
Increase since 1884 ..... 7,190.

GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION.

Antrim	10,413	Manistee	24,230
Benzie	5,237	Manitou	860
Charlevoix	9,686	Mason	16,385
Clare	7,538	Mecosta	19,697
Emmet	8,756	Missaukee	5,048
Grand Traverse	13,355	Montcalm	32,637
Ionia	32 801	Muskegon	40 013
Isabella	18,784	Newaygo	20,476
Kalkaska	5,160	Oceana	15,698
Kent	109,922	Osceola	14,630
Lake	6,505	Ottawa	35,358
Leelenaw	7 944	Wexford	11,278

Total 472,431
Increase since 1884 45,906
Rate of increase ..... 7 1-7 per cent.
Rate of increase of Communicants ..... 32 1-5 per cent.

*Has a Rectory. †Has both Church and Chapel. ‡Has a room.

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DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

A LIST OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS

Having stated Sunday services, and holding or having held for its benefit real estate, and contributing to their own support, and that of the Diocese.

PARISHES.

Albion.....S. James'
Allegan.....Good Shepherd
Battle Creek... ...S. Thomas'
Big Rapids.....S. Andrew's
Coldwater.....S. Mark's
Elk Rapids.....S. Paul's
Grand Haven.....S. John's
Grand Rapids..... .S. Mark's
Grand Rapids.... ....S. Paul's
Grand Rapids.....Grace
Grand Rapids.....Trinity
Hastings.....Emmanuel
Holland.....Grace
Homer .....Christ
Ionia.....S. John's
Kalamazoo.....S. Luke's
Ludington.....Grace
Marshall.....Trinity
Muskegon.....S. Paul's
Niles.....Trinity
Three Rivers.....Trinity
Traverse City.....Grace
Union City.....Grace
Grand Rapids.....Trinity
Manistee.....Holy Trinity

MISSIONS.

Benton Harbor....Holy Trinity
Charlotte.....Grace
Greenville.....S. Paul's
Grand Rapids.....S. John's
Harbor Springs.....S. John's
Mt. Pleasant.....S. John's
Newaygo.....S. Mark's
Pentwater.....S. James'
Petoskey.....Emmanuel
East Jordan.....Redeemer
Whitehall.....Redeemer
Quincy.....S. John's
Rockford.....S. James'
Muskegon.....S. Luke's
Grand Rapids....S. Matthew's
Sturgis.....S. John's
Central Lake.....S. Matthias'

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St. John's Church,
Grand Haven, Mich.
June 4, 1895.

The 21st Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan met in St. John's Church, Grand Haven, Mich., Tuesday, June 4th, 1895, at 7:30 p. m., and was called to order by the Bishop.

The members were bade to silent prayer for the blessing of God upon the work of the Convention.

The Secretary read Article VI. of the Constitution, and Canon 1, Sections 1 and 2, of the organization of the Convention.

The Roll of the Clergy entitled to seats was called and the following were found present:

Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D.
The Rev. Joseph W. Bancroft, A. B.
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.
The Rev. Sidney Beckwith.
The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne.
The Rev. E. M. Duff, A. M.
The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, S. T. B.
The Rev. Woodford P. Law.
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, B. A.
The Rev. John N. Rippey, M. D.
The Rev. L. C. Rogers.

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The Rev. Herbert Sowerby.
The Rev. W. W. Taylor, B. A.
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, Ph. D.
The Rev. Albert E. Wells, B. D.
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.

The Roll of those not entitled to seats was called. None answered the call.

The Roll of the Parishes was called and the credentials of the delegates-elect were presented.

The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., and the Rev. W. W. Taylor were appointed a committee on credentials of the Lay delegates-elect.

Recess was taken.

Evening prayer was said by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Herbert Sowerby and the Rev. E. M. Duff.

The session of the Convention was resumed.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following Report:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Your Committee respectfully report that they have examined the credentials of delegates from the following named Parishes and Missions and have found the same correct and that they have paid their assessments to the Diocese:

S. Paul's, Muskegon; S. Thomas', Battle Creek; S. Mark's, Coldwater; Good Shepherd, Allegan; Grace, Grand Rapids; Trinity, Marshall; S. Mark's, Grand Rapids; S. John's, Grand Haven; Emmanuel, Hastings; S. Luke's, Kalamazoo; S. John's,

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Ionia; S. Luke's, Muskegon; Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor; S. Mark's, Newaygo; S. James', Pentwater; Redeemer, Whitehall.

Signed, JAMES E. WILKINSON,
W. W. TAYLOR,
Committee on Credentials.

The roll of Lay delegates was called and the following were found present:

(For convenience the Secretary includes names of all present at any time during the Convention.)

Allegan, Good Shepherd—Mr. Wm. B. Williams.
Battle Creek, S. Thomas—Mr. J. E. Nelson.
Grand Haven, S. John—Mr. Robert C. Duryea,
Mr. Charles Christmas.
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's—Mr. F. A. Gorham,
Mr. Edwin F. Sweet,
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.
Grand Rapids, Grace—Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.
Hastings, Emmanuel—Mr. David G. Robinson,
Mr. Joseph Van Arman,
Mr. John F. Goodyear.
Ionia, S. John's—Mr. Cyrus Mendenhall.
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's—Mr. J. Davidson Burns,
Mr. A. J. Mills,
Mr. Horace F. Cornell.
Manistee, Holy Trinity—Mr. J. L. Sweetnam.
Marshall, Trinity—Mr. Wm. J. Dibble,
Mr. James M. Parsons.
Muskegon, S. Paul's—Mr. E. G. Rote,
Mr. Hugh J. Minhinnick.
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity—Mr. Isaac S. Sherwood.

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Grand Rapids, S. Matthias'—Mr. W. H. Meech.
Muskegon, S. Luke's—Mr. Alfred Bullock.
Pentwater, S. James'—Mr. S. B. Minshall.

The credentials of S. Matthews' Mission, Grand Rapids, having three names reported, Mr. W. H. Meech, being the only one present, was admitted to a seat as representative of the Mission.

The Bishop formally declared the 21st Annual Convention opened, "In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, Amen."

The election of Secretary being in order, the following nominations were made:

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., the Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs and the Rev. W. W. Taylor.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Woodford P. Law and Mr. J. E. Nelson as tellers. The tellers collected the ballots.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS.

Whole number votes cast	25
Necessary to a choice	13
The Rev. J. N. Rippey received	23
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs received	1
The Rev. W. W. Taylor received	1

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., was declared elected.

The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., was appointed Assistant Secretary.

The Rev. Sidney Beckwith moved that the Rules of Order of the last Convention be adopted as the Rules of Order of this Convention.

Adopted.

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The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., moved that the Rev. Herbert Sowerby, of S. Mark's Church, Coldwater, and the Rev. Wm. Lucus, of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan, be admitted to seats and votes in this Convention.

Adopted by a two-third vote.

The Rev. Albert E. Wells moved that visiting Clergy and Candidates for Holy Orders be admitted to seats in this Convention.

Adopted.

The Bishop read his Diary of Visitations. (See Appendix.)

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., moved that such reports as were ready be presented.

Carried.

The Standing Committee was not ready to report.

The report of the Board of Missions was deferred to the Missionary Meeting on Wednesday night.

The Treasurer of the Convention, Mr. Wm. J. Dibble, presented his report.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

W. J. DIBBLE, Treasurer,
In Account with Diocese of Western Michigan. *Dr.*

1894.					
June 1	To balance				$ 26 22
	" Allegan, Good Shepherd,	assessment	1894	41 61	
	" Albion, S. James	"	1894	10 00	
	" " "	"	1893	10 00	
	" " " in settlement	" prior to	1891	10% 11 26	
	" Battle Creek, S. Thomas	"	1894	48 20	
	" Big Rapids, S. Andrew's	"	1894	60 11	
	" Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	"	1894	25 46	

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To Cassopolis, S. James'	assessment	1894	$5	52
" Charlotte, Grace	"	1894	21	58
" Charlevoix, Christ	"	1894	5	12
" Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	"	1894	43	07
" " "	"	1893	24	45
" Coldwater, S. Mark's	"	1893	73	34
" East Jordan, Redeemer	"	1894		90
" Grand Haven, S. John's	"	1894	50	64
" Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	"	1894	325	80
" " " Grace	"	1894	116	44
" " " S. Paul's, bal.	"	1893	22	68
" " " S. Matthew's	"	1894	2	03
" " " S. Beda's	"	1894	1	00
" Greenville, S. Paul's	"	1894	20	11
" Hastings, Emmanuel	"	1894	52	14
" Ionia, S. John's	"	1894	88	05
" Kalamazoo, S. Luke's,	"	1894	216	65
" Ludington, Grace	"	1894	16	16
" " "	"	1893	30	49
" " " in settlements	" prior to 1891	20%	8	60
" Marshall, Trinity	"	1894	69	49
" Manistee, Holy Trinity	"	1894	53	32
" Muskegon, S. Paul's	"	1894	108	59
" " "	"	1893	96	55
" " S. Luke's	"	1893	1	82
" " "	"	1894	2	89
" Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	"	1894	12	47
" Niles, Trinity	"	1892	90	35
" " "	"	1893	2	52
" Newaygo, S. Mark's	"	1894	8	65
" Pentwater, S. James'	"	1894	3	32
" Rockford, S. James', bal.	"	1893		24
" Saugatuck, All Saints'	"	1893		70
" Sturgis, S. James'	"	1894	17	03
" " " bal.	"	1892	18	66
" Three Rivers, Trinity	"	1894	3	50
" Traverse City, Grace	"	1893	3	00
" Union City, Grace	"	1893	4	06
" Whitehall, Redeemer	"	1894	5	50
			$1860	29

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By Dennis & Slingerland	Voucher	1	$1	50	
" Rev. J. N. Rippey	"	2	5	95	
" Rev. C. Fair	"	3	2	00	
" Rev. J. W. Bancroft	"	4	2	00	
" Rev. R. R. Claiborne,	"	5	4	00	
" Rev. J. N. Rippey	"	6 & 7	100	00	
" Thos. Roberts, Sexton S. Mark's,	"	8	10	00	
" W. U. Tel. Co.	"	9	1	07	
" F. A. Gorham, bal. due on assessments of 1893 and 1894,	"	10	50	00	
" F. A. Gorham, Treas., on account of assessments 1894, Vouchers 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, (Bal. due on asses'ts 1894-95, $68.)			1350	00	
" Eaton Printing and Binding Co.	"	18	1	50	
" Rev. W. H. Martin	"	19	3	50	
" Rev. R. R. Claiborne	"	20	2	50	
" Rev. W. H. Martin	"	21	1	80	
" G. A. Chandler, printing Journal,	"	22	191	37	
" Rev. J. N. Rippey, postage,	"	23	12	00	
" Rev. A. E. Wells	"	24	25	00	
" Z. H. Denison	"	25	2	25	
" Rev. R. R. Claiborne	"	26	1	50	
" Premium on Treasurer's bond	"	27	5	00	
" C. E. Mahan, Record book,	"	28	2	50	
" Rev. J. B. Hubbs, postage	"	29	1	00	
" Rev. J. W. Bancroft	"	30	4	00	
" Seymour & Muir	"	31	36	00	
" Ihling Bros. & Evarard	"	30	7	50	
" Balance			36	35	
					$1860 29

The following Parishes and Missions have paid all Assessments due to the Diocese:

Albion—S. James'.
Allegan—Good Shepherd.
Battle Creek—S. Thomas'.
Big Rapids—St. Andrew's.
Benton Harbor—Holy Trinity.
Cassopolis—S. James'.
Charlevoix—Christ.

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Elk Rapids—St. Paul's.
East Jordan—Redeemer.
Grand Haven—S. John.
Grand Rapids—S. Mark's.
" " —Grace.
" " —S. Matthew's.
" " —S. Beda's.
Greenville—S. Paul's.
Hastings—Emmanuel.
Ionia—S. John's.
Kalamazoo—S. Luke's.
Ludington—Grace.
Marshall—Trinity.
Manistee—Holy Trinity.
Muskegon—S. Paul's.
" —S. Luke's.
Mt. Pleasant—S. John's.
Newaygo—S. Mark's.
Pentwater—S. James'.
Rockford—S. James'.
Saugatuck—All Saints.
Sturgis—S. James'.

The following Parishes and Missions are Delinquent on Assessments due the Diocese:

	Prior to 1892	1892-3	1893-4	1894-5
Coldwater, S. Mark's				$73 35
Charlotte, Grace				21 57
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	$167 10			54 80
" " Trinity	48 74	$82 98		57 57
" " S. John's	8 27	$4 32		6 28
Holland, Grace	40 44	7 14	11 39	13 65
Homer, Christ				18 13
Niles, Trinity		86 36		84 20
Petoskey, Emmanuel	34 80	45 00		22 04
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	79 87		39	39
Quincy, S. John's		7 97	7 67	6 56
Three Rivers, Trinity	22 39			
Traverse City, Grace	160 03		16 22	19 12
Tustin, S. Johannes			12	20
Union City, Grace	46 74		19	2 54
Whitehall, Redeemer		9 33	4 83	
Totals	$565 31	$150 69	$176 49	$380 40

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Due on Assessments prior to 1892	$565 31
Due on Assessments 1892	150 69
Due on Assessments 1893	176 49
Due on Assessments 1894	380 40
Total	$1272 89

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

W. J. DIBBLE, Treasurer,

In Account with Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy and Widows and Orphans of Clergymen.

1894 June 1	To balance acccount				$576 36
	" Christmas Off'gs, Albion, S. James',		$ 1 25		
	" " " Allegan, Good Shepherd		13 72		
	" " " Battle Creek, S. Thomas'		10 00		
	" " " Benton H'r, Holy Trinity		3 21		
	" " " Big Rapids, S. Andrew's		6 67		
	" " " " " S. S. "		4 33		
	" " " Charlotte, Grace		7 63		
	" " " Coldwater, S. Mark's		2 47		
	" " " Elk Rapids, S. Paul's		4 45		
	" " " Grand Rapids, S. Paul's		2 10		
	" " " " " S. Mark's		70 00		
	" " " Grand Haven, S. John's		6 50		
	" " " Hastings, Emmanuel		10 00		
	" " " Kalamazoo, S. Luke's		31 94		
	" " " Marshall, Trinity		19 94		
	" " " Manistee, Holy Trinity		9 30		
	" " " Muskegon, S. Paul's		4 80		
	" " " Niles, Trinity		10 04		
	" " " Pentwater, S. James'		3 30		
	" " " Petoskey, Emmanuel		2 80		
	" " " Sturgis, S. James'		2 23		
	" " " Schoolcraft, S. Stephen's		1 26		
	" " " Traverse City, Grace		4 00		231 94
	" " " "A Church Woman," St. Joseph, Mo.,		1 00		
	" Cash, Kalamazoo			25 00	26 00
	" F. A. Gorham, Treas., Int. on Mortgage				249 13
	Total				$1083 43

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By stipends paid as per Vouchers Nos. 1 to 13, $456 25
June 1, '95, " Balance in Fund, 627 18 $1083 43

PARISHES AND MISSIONS NOT CONTRIBUTING.

Cassopolis—S. James'.	Ludington—Grace.
Charlevoix—Christ.	Muskegon—S. Luke's.
East Jordan—Redeemer.	Mt. Pleasant—S. John's.
Grand Rapids—Grace.	Newaygo—S. Mark's.
" " —Trinity.	Paw Paw—S. Mark's.
" " —S. John's.	Quincy—S. John's.
" " —S. Matthew's.	Rockford—S. James'.
" " —S. Beda's.	Saugatuck—All Saints'.
Greenville—S. Paul's.	Three Rivers—Trinity.
Holland—Grace.	Tustin—S. Johannes'.
Homer—Christ.	Union City—Grace.
Ionia—S. John's.	Whitehall—Redeemer.

The report was accepted and referred to the Committee on Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention.

Mr. F. A. Gorham, Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, presented the financial report of the Association for the conventional year.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., June 4th, 1895.

To the Trustees of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan :

GENTLEMEN:

In compliance with the requirements of the By-Laws of the Association, the following report of the transactions of the past year is respectfully submitted :

EPISCOPAL FUND.

The amount of this fund, as per last report...	$35276 75	
Sept. 19, 1894, received in payment of old subscription note heretofore cancelled.....	150 00	
		$35426 75

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Invested as follows:

Episcopal residence	$11000 00	
Real Estate	218 13	
Loans secured by mortgages	23489 39	
Cash	719 23	
		$35426 75

The Cash Receipts and Disbursements were as follows:

1894			
June 2.	Balance from last report	$ 744 23	
Sept. 19.	Received in payment of note	150 00	
1895			
March 5.	Received in payment of note, Reynolds mortgage	1000 00	
" 15.	Received in payment of note, Maloney mortgage	300 00	
" 18.	Received in payment of note, Churchill mortgage	800 00	
" 20.	Received in payment of note, Marz mortgage	225 00	
			$3219 23
1895			
March 28.	Loan to Henry Stormzand	$ 2500 00	
June 4.	Balance, cash in hand	719 23	
			$3219 23

The Income and Disbursements were as follows:

INCOME.

From interest on loans	$1537 36	
" " " notes	59 50	
" Rent of Episcopal residence	500 00	
" W. J. Dibble, Treas., for Assessm'ts	1350 00	
Balance from last report	23	
		$3447 09

DISBURSEMENTS.

1894				
July 2.	Paid for receipt book, Voucher No.	1	$ 1 25	
Sept. 29.	" " st'mp'd envelopes "	" 2	3 60	
Nov. 2.	" H. Green, for repairs Episcopal residence, "	" 3	250 00	
" 15.	" A. H. Fowle, repairs Episcopal residence, "	" 4	40 63	

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Nov. 15.	Paid W. Robertson, rep'rs Episcopal residence,	"	"	5	$2 50		
Dec. 27.	" A. M. Maris, repairs Episcopal residence,	"	"	6	2 50		
1895							
Jan. 8.	" Premium on Bond,	"	"	7	17 18		
Mar. 11.	" Harvey & Heystek, repairs to Episcopal residence	"	"	8	6 00		
" 28.	" Accrued interest on Stormzand Loan...				7 45		
June 3.	" Geo. D. Gillespie for salary, viz.: bal. due last year's acct., 200, on acct. of current year, 2900,	"	"	9	3100 00		
	Balance cash on hand				15 98		
							$3447 09

The Income for 1895-6 is estimated at 2100 00

The payments to be met will be :

Bishop's salary, balance now due.....	$ 100 00	
" " for one year.....	3000 00	
Sidewalks and repairs to Episcopal residence..	100 00	
Insurance, Episcopal residence.....	25 00	
		$3225 00
Balance, to be raised by assessment.....		$1125 00

PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

The amount is unchanged since last report, viz. : $7051 84

Invested as follows :

Loans secured by mortgages.....	$6225 00	
Cash.....	826 84	
		$7051 84

The Receipts and Disbursements have been as follows :

RECEIPTS.

1894			
June 2.	Balance on hand.....	$726 84	
1895			
Jan. 19.	Principal, Gleason note.....	100 00	
June 4.	Interest on loans.....	420 49	
			$1247 33

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DISBURSEMENTS.

1895				
Jan.	8.	Premium on Bond, Voucher No. 7,	$ 4 70	
Feb.	5.	D. G. Robinson, Treas. B'd Missions, Voucher No. 10	300 00	
May	24.	D. G. Robinson, Treas. B'd Missions, Voucher No. 11	115 79	
June	4.	Balance, Cash on hand	826 84	
				$1247 33

AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

The amount is unchanged since last report, viz.: $4378 54

Invested as follows:

Loans, secured by mortgages	$4296 00	
Cash	82 54	
		$4378 54

The Receipts and Disbursements have been:

RECEIPTS.

1894				
June	2.	Balance on hand	$82 54	
June	4, '95	Interest on loans	252 25	
				$334 79

DISBURSEMENTS.

1895				
Jan.	2.	Premium on Bond, Voucher No. 7...	$ 3 12	
May	24.	W. J. Dibble, Treas., " " 12...	249 13	
June	4.	Balance, cash on hand	82 54	
				$334 79

SUNDRY TRUSTS.

Rectory Building Fund—

Balance per last report	$1389 50	
Received, Interest on Loans	50 98	
		$1440 48
Remitted to D. G. Robinson, Treas. Voucher No. 13	$40 48	
Balance to credit of this fund		$1400 00

Sturgis—

Balance per last report	$56 91	
Received for Interest	2 71	
		$59 62

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Lyons—		
Balance per last report	$261 45	
Received for Interest	13 04	
		$274 49
Decatur—		
Balance per last report	$126 04	
Received for Interest	5 97	
		$132 01
Diocesan Library Building—		
Balance per last report	$27 82	
Received Offertory at Convention 1894	11 00	
Received for Interest	1 20	
		$40 02
S. Matthew's, Baldwin—		
Balance per last report	$96 45	
Received for Interest	3 17	
		$99 62
S. Matthias', Eaton Rapids—		
Balance per last report	$599 18	
Received for Interest	31 76	
		$630 94
Grace, Stanton—		
Balance per last report	$43 49	
Received for Interest	1 44	
		$44 93
Christ's Church, Charlevoix—		
Balance per last report	$600 00	
Received for Interest	52 83	
	$652 83	
Remitted to E. H. Green, Warden, Voucher No. 14	652 83	
Belding—		
Balance per last report	$600 00	
Paid for purchase of lot for S. John's Mission, Grand Rapids, order of Bishop Gillespie, and by and with consent of donors of this fund, Voucher No. 15	600 00	

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Bush Memorial Fund—		
Balance per last report	$20 53	
Received for Interest	80	
		$21 33
Insurance and Tax Fund—		
Received from W. J. Dibble, Treas.	$50 00	
" " D. G. Robinson, "	12 50	
" " " " "	26 33	
		$88 83
Paid balance due Treas., last report	$40 38	
" for building sidewalk at Evart, Voucher No. 16	11 95	
" for insurance on church at Paw Paw, Voucher No. 17	24 00	
" for insurance on church at Rockford, Voucher No. 18	12 50	
		$88 83
S. Paul's, Elk Rapids, Endowment Fund—		
Received from Rev. J. N. Rippey		$3 50
Total Sundry Trusts		$2706 46
These Funds are invested as follows:		
Loan to N. R. Peterson, for account of Sturgis, Lyons and Decatur Funds	$175 00	
Loan to Akeley Institute, for account of Sturgis Fund	35 00	
Loan to Akeley Institute, for account of Lyons Fund	155 00	
Loan to Akeley Institute, for account of Decatur Fund	75 00	
Loan to Akeley Institute, for account of Eaton Rapids Fund	600 00	
Loan to Akeley Institute, for account of Baldwin Fund	95 00	
Loan to Akeley Institute, for account of Stanton Fund	40 00	
		$1000 00
Loans on account of Rectory Building Fund:		
To S. James' Mission, Pentwater	$249 87	
" S. John's " Mt. Pleasant	235 00	

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" Akeley Institute	$500 00	
" Redeemer Mission, East Jordan	140 00	
" S. Paul's " Mendon	275 00	
		$1399 87
Total Loans		$2574 87
Cash on hand:		
For account of Rectory Building Fund	$ 13	
" " " Sturgis, Lyons and Decatur Funds	26 12	
" " " Diocesan Library Building Fund	40 02	
" " " Baldwin Fund	4 62	
" " " Stanton Fund	4 93	
" " " Bush Memorial Fund	21 33	
" " " Elk Rapids Fund	3 50	
" " " Eaton Rapids Fund	30 94	
		$131 59
Total Loans and Cash		$2706 46

STATEMENT SHOWING INCREASE IN AMOUNTS OF PERMANENT FUNDS FROM 1874 TO 1895.

EPISCOPAL FUND.

1874	Amount of original subscription notes, less those cancelled and unpaid	$20823 43
1881	Value of lot in Grand Rapids, given for Episcopal residence	3000 00
1880-81	Subscriptions for erection of Episcopal residence	2615 27
1882	Received from Diocese of Michigan	1554 62
1883	Contribution from Parishioner of Trinity Church, Niles	100 00
1884	Increase in value of Episcopal residence above actual cost	1578 43
1889	Contribution from Mr. and Mrs. ————	5000 00
1889	Contributions from Parishioners of S. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids	255 00
1889	Contributions from Parishioners of Trinity Church, Marshall	400 00

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1884-93	Various contributions from Mt. Calvary Church, Baltimore, Md.....	$100 00
	Total.....	$35426 75

PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

1876	Bequest from Mrs. R. P. L. Gillespie, deceased..	$500 00
1883	" " " L. C. Abbott, "	100 00
1884	" " " Mary T. Curtiss, "	2200 00
1885	Contribution from Emmanuel Church, Hastings,	10 00
1886	Bequest from Mrs. Mary Chambers, deceased	1209 30
1891	" " Jas. and Ann Townsend, "	1322 54
1892	Thank Offering from husband and wife for recovery from illness.....	200 00
1893	Bequest from Helen M. Hall, deceased.....	1000 00
1893	Anonymous contribution, through Bishop Gillespie	500 00
	Total.....	$7051 84

AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

1889	Various mortgages turned over by T. P. Sheldon, Treas., (of which amount $1500 was received by him from Diocese of Michigan in 1875)..	$2796 00
1891	Bequest from Jas. and Ann Townsend, deceased,	1332 54
1892	Thank Offering from husband and wife for recovery from illness..... ...	250 00
	Total.....	$4378 54

RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

1884	Contribution from Bishop Gillespie.....	$1400 00
	Total.....	$1400 00

Detailed List of Securities held by the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

FOR EPISCOPAL FUND.

Chas. L. Moran.....	mortgage	6½	per	cent.....		$5212 55
Fred. D. Yale.....	"	7	"	"	.....	3200 00
Henry Stormzand.....	"	7	"	"	.....	2500 00
Isadore M. White.....	"	7	"	"	.....	1800 00
John M. Richens.....	"	7	"	"	.....	1800 00

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Ellen E. Camburn	mortgage	7	per cent		1500 00
F. W. Curtiss	"	7	" "		1000 00
John Schoffin	"	7	" "		1000 00
Herbert Baker	"	7	" "		750 00
James A. Rooney	"	7	" "		600 00
Catherine M. Gillman	"	7	" "		600 00
Geo. G. Van Houtum	"	7	" "		600 00
G. F. Cole	"	7	" "		600 00
S. Rogers	"	8	" "		300 00
Jas. P. Hayes	"	8	" "		511 16
Eugenia A. Gooch	"	8	" "		350 00
Jos. J. Adams	Contract	7	" "		328 00
H. L. Birdsall	Mortgage	8	" "		300 00
Asa M. Beal	"	8	" "		250 00
William Hannon	"	8	" "		200 00
Fred. L. Baker	"	7	" "		200 00
L. K. Austin	"	10	" "		160 00
W. B. Williams	"	10	" "		55 68
Geo. Kendall	Deed, Episcopal residence; value, including building, ($5,000 insurance expiring June 9th, 1896)				11000 00
Total Episcopal Fund					34817 39

FOR PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

Johanna Coomans	mortgage	7	per cent		$1400 00
John H. Bruist	"	7	" "		1500 00
Russell Slade	"	7	" "		800 00
H. W. Van Hezel	"	7	" "		675 00
Angeline Goossen	"	7	" "		400 00
William Booth	"	7	" "		400 00
Chas. P. Duston	"	8	" "		300 00
Calista Myers	"	8	" "		250 00
A. Leaderson	"	9	" "		200 00
Rufus Hall	"	10	" "		200 00
Edgar W. Gleason, note	"	6	" "		100 00
Total for P. M. Fund					$6225 00

FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

J. Clark Sproat	mortgage	7	per cent		$1200 00
Calvin E. Stowe	"	7	" "		1000 00
Russell Slade	"	7	" "		800 00

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Julius S. Ward.....	mortgage	7	per cent.....		576 00
John O. Brooks.....	"	7	" "		285 00
William Vine.....	"	7	" "		225 00
Permelia Pollock.....	"	7	" "		210 00
Total A. and I. C. Fund.....					$4296 00

FOR RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

S. B. Minshall, Trustee, Pentwater.....	mortgage	7	per cent.....		$249 87
Minnie K. Brown..... Mt. Pleasant.....	"	7	" "		235 00
Akeley Institute.....	note	7	" "		500 00
D. C. Loveday, et al, East Jordan.....	notes	8	" "		140 00
S. Paul's Church, Mendon, deed.....					275 00
Total Rectory Fund.....					$1399 87

FOR SUNDRY SPECIAL FUNDS.

N. R. Peterson	mortgage	9	per cent.....		$175 00
Akeley Institute.....	note	4	" "		1000 00
Total Special Funds.....					$1175 00

PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST.

Various Deeds, the values being those shown in Parochial Reports, Journal of 1894 :

Baldwin, ...	Deed from W. L. Webber.....	$600 00
Benton Harbor "	" Wm. Stewart, et al., Trustees; $1500 insurance expiring March 1st, 1898.....	3500 00
Charlevoix, ...	Deed from James A. Gellick.....	1100 00
Coopersville,...	" " Samuel C. Graham.....	500 00
East Jordan, ...	" " John Nichols.....	1500 00
Eaton Rapids,	" " various persons; Ins. $1200, expires April 23, 1898; this property has been sold for $900, of which $602 has been paid,	900 00
Elk Rapids,....	Deed from Richard W. Bagot, " " Dexter and Noble; $3500. Ins., Exp. June 6, 1895,	6200 00
Evart.....	Deed from W. F. McDermot et al.....	not reported

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Grand Rapids, S. John's....	" " Richard Bynon et al.....	600 00
Greenville.....	" " M. Rutan et al.....	1200 00
Harbor Springs	" " A. J. Southard et al.; Ins. $2000, expiring Sept. 15, 1895.....	2000 00
Luther.....	Deed from Catharine W. Sprague.....	500 00
Mount Pleasant	" " Minnie K. Brown; Ins. $1500, expiring Feb. 16, 1898.....	3000 00
Paw Paw.....	Deed from Maria N. Gremps; Ins. $1200 expiring Nov. 1, 1897.....	2000 00
Pentwater.....	Deed from Jno. W. Loomis; Ins. $1000 expiring April 26, 1896.....	2000 00
Quincy	Deed from Sam'l C. Mowry.....	1200 00
Rockford.....	" " N. McMillan; Ins. $500 expiring July 2, 1895, and $500 expiring Nov. 21, 1897	1500 00
Schoolcraft.....	Deed from Caroline L. Stuart; Ins. $1000, expiring Jan. 17, 1896.....	2000 00
Three Rivers..	Deed from Henry C. Taylor et al.; Ins. $2000 expiring March 16, 1897.....	1000 00
Whitehall	Deed from the Vestrymen, Church of Redeemer.....	1200 00
	Total property held in trust.....	$32500 00

June 4, 1895.

F. A. GORHAM,
Treasurer.

GRAND RAPIDS, June 4th, 1895.

The undersigned, lay members of the Standing Committee, acting as a Board of Auditors, by appointment of the Convention of 1876, (Page 39, Journal 1876) do hereby certify that they have examined the securities in the hands of the Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, as set forth in the foregoing lists, and find them correct as stated therein.

J. DAVIDSON BURNS.

The report was accepted and referred to the Committee on Accounts of the Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

Recess was taken until 8 o'clock Wednesday morning.

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WEDNESDAY.

JUNE 5, 1895, 8 A. M.

Morning prayer was said by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Sidney Beckwith and Wm. Lucas.

(NOTE—After morning prayer the Convocations met for the election of officers and preparation of reports. The result of the elections was:)

Grand Rapids Convocation. President—The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.; Secretary—The Rev. Woodford P. Law.

Kalamazoo Convocation: President—The Rev. J. W. Bancroft; Secretary—The Rev. W. W. Taylor.

The Committees appointed at the last Convention met to prepare their reports.)

9:30 A. M.

Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. L. C. Rogers, J. W. Bancroft, J. N. Rippey, M. D., and Campbell Fair, D. D.

The Bishop delivered his annual address. (See Appendix.)

The Convention came to order.

The rolls of the Clergy and of Lay Delegates were called, and several additional members, Clerical and Lay, answered to their names.

On Motion of Mr. J. Davidson Burns, Mr. Horace F. Cornell was admitted as an alternate delegate from St. Luke's, Kalamazoo.

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Nominations for the various Diocesan offices being in order, the following names were presented:

Treasurer of the Diocese—Mr. Wm. J. Dibble.
Registrar of the Diocese—The Rev. Albert E. Wells.
Standing Committee, Clerical: The Rev. J. W. Bancroft.
The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.
The Rev. M. H. Martin.
The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne.
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs.
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher.
The Rev. Sidney Beckwith.
The Rev. Lewis Brown.
Standing Committee, Lay: Mr. J. Davidson Burns.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes.
Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Mr. Thos. Smurthwaite.
Mr. George. Willard.

BOARD OF MISSIONS—CLERICAL.

The Rev. P. W. Mosher.
The Rev. Lewis Brown.
The Rev. L. C. Rogers.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
The Rev. Thos. Hines.
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs.
The Rev. Wm. E. Wright.
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff.

BOARD OF MISSIONS—LAY.

Mr. J. E. Nelson.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.
Mr. James M. Parsons.
Mr. George D. Sanford.
Mr. D. G. Robinson.
Mr. E. F. Sweet.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION—CLERICAL.

The Rev Campbell Fair, D. D.
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs.
The Rev. Wm. E. Wright.
The Rev. J. N. Rippey.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff.
The Rev. L. C. Rogers.
The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne.
The Rev. W. P. Law.
The Rev. Lewis Brown.
The Rev. Sidney Beckwith.
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft.
The Rev. Jas. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION—LAY.

Mr. Wm. J. Dibble.
Mr. J. Davidson Burns.
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans,
Mr. David G. Robinson.

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Mr. Wm. B. Williams. Mr. George Willard.
Mr. Horace F. Cornell. Mr. E. F. Sweet.
Mr. W. H. Raiguel. Mr. F. A. Gorham.

MISSIONARY COUNCIL—CLERICAL.

The Rev. W. P. Law. The Rev. E. M. Duff.
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff. The Hev. Herbert Sowerby.

MISSIONARY COUNCIL—LAY.

Mr. C. R. Wilkes. Mr. George Willard.

The Parochial Reports were called for and presented to the Bishop.

The Standing Committee presented its report, which was read by the Secretary, the Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Twentieth Annual Convention, held in S. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, June 5, 6 and 7, 1894, elected by ballot the following named persons to serve as Standing Committee for the Diocese of Western Michigan for the year ending June 2, 1895:

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., the Rev. J. W. Bancroft, the Rev. M. H. Martin, the Rev. R. R. Claiborne, Mr. J. Davidson Burns, Mr. F. A. Gorham and Mr. C. R. Wilkes.

The Committee so elected met on the day of election, June 7th, and organized by electing the Rev. Dr. Fair President and the Rev. R. R. Claiborne Secretary.

The following have been the official acts of the Committee:

Appropriations from the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy and Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy.

The Rev. Ernest W. Jewell, Deacon, was recommended for the Holy Order of Priests.

The Rev. P. W. Mosher was elected to fill a vacancy on the Board of Missions caused by the appointment of the Rev. Mr. Law as General Missionary.

Consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. John Hazen White as Bishop for the Diocese of Indiana

The following named persons have been recommended to the Bishop for the Sacred Order of Deacons:

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Mr. Herbert Stanley Knill and Mr. Cyrus Mendenhall. The former for Deacon's Orders only. Mr. Carl Reed Taylor and Mr. Henry D. Chambers.

The Committee has held meetings as follows:

1894

June 7—Grand Rapids.
July 18—Kalamazoo.
Oct. 9—Grand Rapids.

1895

Feb. 25—Grand Rapids.
Apr. 23—Kalamazoo.
June 5—Grand Haven.

The Standing Committee asks for the passage of the following usual resolution:

Resolved: That the Diocesan Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the traveling expenses of the members of the Standing Committee who attend its duly convened meetings for the year ending May 31, 1896.

R. R. CLAIBORNE,
Secretary.

The appended resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved: That the Diocese of Western Michigan hereby sends its fraternal greetings to the Dioceses of Michigan and Indiana, now in session in their Annual Convention.

In compliance with the above resolution the Secretary sent greetings to each of the Dioceses above mentioned, and later received the following replies:

ANN ARBOR, June 5, 1895.

To the Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

The Diocese of Michigan gratefully acknowledges the greetings of the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Western Michigan. They reciprocate the same and wish them peace and prosperity in the Lord Jesus Christ.

THOS. S. DAVIES,
Bishop.

S. W. FRISBIE,
Secretary.

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INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 5, 1895.

Rev. J. N. Rippey, Secretary:

The Diocese of Indiana returns the friendly greeting of the Diocese of Western Michigan. Phillipians: fourth chapter, and twenty-third verse.

JOHN HAZEN WHITE, Bishop.
CHARLES F. STOUT,
Committee.

On motion of the Rev. M. S. Woodruff the courtesies of the Convention were extended to the Rev. G. Mott Williams, Archdeacon of Northern Michigan. The Bishop welcomed the Archdeacon in a few words, who thanked the Convention for the courtesy.

The Registrar, the Rev. Albert E. Wells, presented his report.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

In making my report as Registrar of the Diocese, I would again call attention to the fact that the following Parishes have failed to send in certified copies of the Articles of their incorporation :

S. James' Church, Albion.
Ch. of the Good Shepherd, Allegan.
S. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek.
S. Mark's Church, Coldwater.
Trinity Church, Three Rivers.
Grace Church, Union City.
S. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids.
Grace Church, Grand Rapids.
Grace Church, Holland.
Trinity Church, Saranac.

The call for these papers will be again made, and it is an advantage to the Parishes to file them with the Registrar.

The Annual Journals of the Diocesan Conventions of other Dioceses have been received and properly arranged for reference. Copies of our own Journal have been filed in the State Library in Lansing and in the City Library of Grand Rapids, and the Registrar has aided in completing the files of other Dioceses when called upon.

By gifts and the binding of periodicals 54 volumes have been added to the Library during the year. It would seem that more might be done in the way of increasing our books and the use of the useful ones if we of the clergy would send in those we have ceased to use and would urge the laity to do the same—books too good to be destroyed, which yet we do not use, and that are gradually banish-

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ed from the living rooms to the garret or cellar. A re-distribution of good books might prove a worthy use and benefit to the world of human life of these our times. When books are duplicated in the library it would be well to give to the clergy who need them the standard works for their use while they remain in the Diocese. The use made of the books is now considerable and would be greatly increased if a convenient book list of its contents were in print. In fine, there is a call for some free-handed liberality in providing for and housing the collection of books and pamphlets, and in cataloguing them so that they may be acceptable to patrons; and also in subscriptions and offerings for new books so that its attractions may be greater.

I have expended during the year $17.90 for various items of binding, postage, stationery, advertising and subscriptions, and recommend the passing of the following resolution:

Resolved: That $25 be appropriated to Registrar's department.

ALBERT E. WELLS.

The resolution appended was adopted.

The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs offered the following, which was adopted:

Whereas: The Diocese of Western Michigan has, in the Providence of God, completed its first score of years, be it

Resolved: That this Convention recognize this event in its history with an offering of Thanksgiving to Almighty God and pledge itself to His love and service with renewed zeal.

Upon request, the Rev. G. Mott Williams, Archdeacon of the Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, made a brief address upon the work in his Jurisdiction.

The thanks of the Convention were tendered the Archdeacon for his interesting address.

Recess was taken till 1:30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Litany was said by the Rev. Wm. E. Wright, B. D.

Convention came to order, the Bishop in the chair.

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The Chair announced the following Standing Committees:

On Admission of Parishes into Union with the Convention:

Rev. E. W. Jewell.
Rev. W. W. Taylor.
Mr. Chas. Christmas.

On Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen:

Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.
Mr. Joseph Van Arman.
Mr. J. E. Nelson.

On Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions:

Rev. L. C. Rogers.
Rev. W. H. Thomas, Ph. D.
Mr. James M. Parsons.
Mr. Alfred Bullock.
Mr. Isaac Sherwood.

On Unfinished Business:

Rev. M. H. Martin.
Mr. S. B. Minshall.
Mr. W. H. Meech.

On Christian Education:

Rev. Lewis Brown.
Rev. J. B. Hubbs.
Mr. C. Mendenhall.
Mr. R. C. Duryea.

On Canons:

Rev. J. W. Bancroft.

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Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
Mr. J. Kleinhans.
Mr. A. P. Mills.

On Church Literature:

Rev. Sidney Beckwith.
Rev. Thomas Hines.
Rev. W. Westover.
Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Mr. J. F. Goodyear.

On the State of the Church:

Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.
Rev. R. R. Claiborne.
Mr. E. F. Sweet.
Mr. W. J. Dibble.

On the Report of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.
Rev. W. E. Wright, B. D.
Mr. W. B. Williams.
Mr. E. G. Rote.
Mr. J. L. Sweetnam.

The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Report of the Commission on the Constitution and Canons appointed by the Bishop, together with such amendments as may be offered, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

Carried.

The report on unfinished business was presented and read by Mr. S. B. Minshall:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report the business left unfinished by the last Convention:

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Item 1.—Page 75. The proposed Amendment to Article IX of the Constitution comes before this Convention for final action :

Resolved: That Article IX of the Constitution, this day adopted' be amended by striking out the last three lines thereof, viz. : "And in case any Parish shall not be represented by a full delegation, the delegate or delegates present from such Parish may cast the full vote thereof," so that said article shall read as follows :

The election of a Bishop, or Assistant Bishop, shall be made in an Annual Convention, or in a Special Convention called for that purpose, by notice in writing, stating the object, time and place of holding the same, and sent by the Secretary of the Standing Committee by mail to each Clergyman and Vestry of each Parish and Warden of each organized Mission in the Diocese, at the least sixty days before the date appointed for such Convention. Such election shall require a majority of all the Clergymen and Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention, voting by orders.

Item 2.—Pp. 75-6. The proposed Amendment to the Constitution, changing the No. of Article XI to Article XII, and inserting a new Article XI, comes before this Convention for final action :

Resolved: That the Constitution be amended so as to change the No. of Article XI to Article XII, and to insert the following Article, to be known as Article XI : "That the Annual Convention shall, on nomination of the Bishop, elect a Chancellor of the Diocese, who shall be the Legal Advisor of the Bishop and Standing Committee. He shall be a Communicant of this Church, and shall be entitled, ex-officio, to a seat in the Convention, with all privileges of membership except the right to vote. He shall hold his office for the term of three years, and if a vacancy shall occur, the Annual Convention next ensuing shall elect a Chancellor for the full term of three years."

Item 3.—Pp. 73-4. Action should be taken by this Convention on the Amendment to Article VIII of the Constitution of the General Convention.

Item 4.—Page 73. The Committee on the State of the Church was continued and should report to this Convention.

Item 5.—Page 76. The Committee on the Federation of the Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdiction was continued and should report to this Convention.

Item 6.—Page 69. Report entitled No. 6 does not appear on the Journal, and there being no evidence that the Amendment was "re-

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ported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen."

The same is true of Reports No. 7, 8 and 9. The signatures of the Committee on Canons is erroneously appended to the Report of the Committee of the Whole, Page 70. See page 66.

Hence these Amendments are not canonically adopted.

REV. M. H. MARTIN,
MR. S. B. MINSHALL,
MR. W. H. MEECH.

The report was accepted.

The report was taken up by items.

Item 1 was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Item 2 was adopted by a two-third vote by Orders. The yeas and nays being called for by two members, the Amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Clerical:—Yeas: Rev. Messrs. J. W. Bancroft, Sidney Beckwith, Lewis Brown, Robt. R. Claiborne, Campbell Fair, D. D., R. H. F. Gairdner, J. Brewster Hubbs, Woodford P. Law, Wm. Lucas, Philip W. Mosher, J. N. Rippey, L. C. Rogers, Herbert Sowerby, W. W. Taylor, A. E. Wells, J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., M. S. Woodruff.

Nays: None.

Lay:—Ayes: Messrs. Wm. B. Williams, Chas. Christmas, F. A. Gorham, E. F. Sweet, Jacob Kleinhans, David G. Robinson, J. C. Van Arman, J. F. Goodyear, Cyrus Mendenhall, J. Davidson Burns, Horace F. Cornell, Wm. J. Dibble, James M. Parsons, Isaac Sherwood, W. H. Meech, Alfred Bullock, S. B. Minshall.

Nays: None.

Item 3. The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs offered the following resolution:

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Resolved: That the Communication from the Secretary of the General Convention be approved and the delegates to the General Convention be instructed to support the Amendments proposed in said Communication.

Adopted.

Item 4. The Committee was discharged.

Item 5. Report of the Committee on Confederation of the Dioceses. The Rev. L. C. Rogers read the report.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONFEDERATION OF THE TWO DIOCESES AND THE MISSIONARY JURISDICTION IN MICHIGAN.

The Committee on the Federation of the Dioceses and the Missionary Jurisdiction would respectfully report:

Our Bishop, in his Convention Address of '94, called attention to a letter therein included, addressed by him to the Bishop of Michigan, in May, 1893, suggesting some points of common interest between the two Dioceses and the Missionary Jurisdiction in Michigan, and expressing the hope that "there might be at least some informal bond of union." Said letter was duly laid before the Convention of '93, Diocese of Michigan, by Bishop Davies, with the remarks:

"The fact that there are now in the State of Michigan two organized Dioceses and a Missionary Jurisdiction seems to render it desirable that some plan should be devised for concerted action whenever such action should seem conducive to the welfare of the Church."

The matter was referred to the Committee on Canons of the Diocese of Michigan, who reported:

"Inasmuch as the Communication of the Bishop of Western Michigan opens up so many matters for discussion, your Committee ask leave for further deliberation and for permission to defer a detailed report until the next meeting of this Convention," which request was granted. No report was made by this Committee to the next Convention of '94, but the whole subject was re-committed to be reported on to the Convention of '95, now in session.

Your own Committee, continued from last year "with power to act," have been unable to act, as they are awaiting the action of the Diocese of Michigan, which has not yet been communicated.

Indirectly, however, the letter of our Bishop has borne its fruits, as will be seen by the following resolution, passed by the Convention of '94, Diocese of Michigan:

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"*Resolved:* That this Convention recognizes the valuable character of the Educational work of Akeley Institute for Young Ladies; and, in furtherance of our interests and in accordance with the request of the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Western Michigan, we elect a trustee from this Diocese to represent this Diocese on the Board of Trustees of said Institute."

In accordance with this resolution, the Rev. W. H. Osborne was nominated for election to the Board.

In view of the facts thus presented, your Committee would report progress.

Respectfully submitted.

M. H. MARTIN,
L. C. ROGERS,
W. B. WILLIAMS.

The report was accepted. The Committee was continued.

Item 6 was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Committee on Canons was permitted to retire for deliberation.

The Rev. W. W. Taylor, Secretary, read the report of the Semi-Annual and of the Kalamazoo Convocation:

REPORT OF THE SEMI-ANNUAL MISSIONARY MEETING AND DIOCESAN CHURCH CONFERENCE.

The Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference convened in Hastings on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, November 20, 21 and 22, 1894, and in Albion on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 22, 23 and 24, 1895.

There were present at the meeting at Hastings the Bishop and nineteen of the clergy; at Albion the Bishop and eighteen of the clergy.

In both instances the arranged program was carried out, with some few omissions.

W. W. TAYLOR,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE KALAMAZOO CONVOCATION.

No meetings of the Convocation were held during the past Conventional year.

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On Wednesday, June 5th, 1895, Mr. J. W. Bancroft was elected President, and W. W. Taylor Secretary.

W. W. TAYLOR,
Secretary.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the Observance of Special Days be referred to a Committee of two Clergymen and one Layman, to formulate some method of action throughout the Diocese.

Adopted.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, Clerk of the Board of Trustees of Akeley Institute, presented and read the annual report of that Institution:

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF AKELEY INSTITUTE.

To the Bishop and Members of the 21st Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of Akeley Institute, I have the honor to report that at the last Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees the following nominees of your honorable body were elected Trustees to serve for five years, viz.:

Rt. Rev. Geo. D. Gillespie, D. D.
Mr. Dwight Cutler.
Mr. Wm. Savidge.

By change in the date of the Annual Meeting, it is now held on Tuesday of Commencement week.

The school has been in successful operation, though with slightly diminished attendance. The standing, character and work show increased efficiency in all departments, and there is a delightful *esprit du corps* that makes the social life one to leave a permanent impress, not only upon the school, itself, but upon the individual pupil. There are three in the graduating class. Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson are to remain in charge, which gives guaranty that the future will be pursued along the same successful lines of work and administration.

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Several new rooms have been furnished by the liberality of Mrs. Elizabeth Chanley, Miss C. H. Wilkes, Miss E. P. Cummings, Mrs. Dr. Van Duesen and the Daughters of the King, Battle Creek, and the grounds have been graded and beautified under the personal supervision and expense of Miss Rebecca Richmond and a friend. Year by year the material growth of the school property may be noted; friends arising, as emergencies make financial demands, to help to meet the most pressing needs.

For the second time there will be a serious deficit, which, however, has been reduced one-half by the timely gift of a generous friend; so we may see the Providence of God in the gradual development of one of the permanent institutions of the Diocese. It is true still, and will be in the future—as with all growing institutions—that Akeley Institute needs money to pay off the floating indebtedness, and in the near future to pay the first installment of bonds.

The following financial exhibit will show the receipts and expenditures during the current year:

For furnishing rooms per Mrs. Wilkinson:

Mrs. Dr. Van Duesen	.75 00	
Daughters of the King, Battle Creek	35 00	
Miss E. P. Cummings	32 00	
Miss C. H. Wilkes	35 00	
Mrs. Elizabeth Chanley	35 00	
Total		$212 00

Receipts per Treasurer:

Interest on Brown's Note	$36 25	
Note at Bank	550 00	
Loaned from Diocese	1000 00	
From School Income	280 00	
Total		$1866 25

Indebtedness:

Cutler & Savidge	$131 98
Int. Note Sept. 6, 1890 (Int. 7%)	500 00
" " due '93	35 00
" " " '94	35 00
Note Nov. 8, '94	1000 00
J. W. Bancroft	200 00
Wm. Savidge	200 00

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Note in Bank, July 27		550 00
Geo. D. Gillespie		2023 59
Estimated deficiency	$1033 31	
Reduced by gift	500 00	
Balance	$533 31	
Assets :		
Brown's Note		$500 00
Sweet's "		500 00
Cash in Bank		99 17
Contingent Fund		300 00
Confirmee's Fund		181 75
Total		$1581 74
Floating Indebtedness		$1087 98
Secured, Notes of Trustees, Etc		3593 59
Bonds		12000 00
Total		$16681 57

The Convention should nominate five or more gentlemen, from whom the Trustees are to elect three for a term of five years. The retiring members of the Board are : The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Mr. E. F. Sweet and Mr. George W. McBride.

Respectfully submitted.

J. N. RIPPEY,
Clerk Board of Trustees.

The report was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

The Rev. W. P. Law, Secretary, presented the report of the Grand Rapids Convocation :

REPORT OF THE GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION.

The Grand Rapids Convocation has held no meetings since the last Convention, until the one at Grand Haven, June 5, 1895. At this meeting the Rev. Dr. Fair was elected President, and the Rev. W. P. Law Secretary. The members of the convocation deem it unadvisable to hold another meeting during 1895.

Respectfully submitted.

W. P. LAW,
Secretary.

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The report was accepted.

The Rev. Albert E. Wells moved that 500 copies of the JOURNAL be printed and distributed.

Adopted.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., moved that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the Secretary, the Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., One Hundred Dollars for his services as Secretary of the Convention.

Adopted.

The Rev. Albert E. Wells moved that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the tax due the General Convention of 1895.

Adopted.

The Rev. L. C. Rogers moved the following resolution:

Resolved: That this Convention, being informed by the Bishop that facilities for the education of candidates for Holy Orders have been very generously granted at Seabury Hall, in the Diocese of Minnesota, hereby extend their sincere thanks to the Bishops of the Diocese and the Trustees and Faculty of Seabury Hall.

Adopted.

The Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention reported by Mr. Wm. J. Stuart:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, beg leave to report that they have examined the same and the vouchers accompanying, and have found the same correct.

Signed, WM. J. STUART, J. A. VAN ARMAN, JOHN EYRE NELSON, } Com.

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The report was accepted.

The report of the Committee on the Admission of Parishes and Missions was presented by the Rev. W. W. Taylor:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS.

The Committee, to whom was referred the matter of Admission of Parishes and Missions into Union with the Convention, respectfully report that no application for admission into Union with the Convention has been received.

Signed { W. W. TAYLOR, CHARLES CHRISTMAS, } Com.

While waiting for the report of the Committee on Canons, discussion was had upon the subject of the increase of the Episcopal Fund.

The Committee on Church Literature presented its report, which was read by the Rev. Sidney Beckwith:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH LITERATURE.

Your Committee respectfully submits that anything like an adequate report upon Church Literature, which would be of real, practical use, would require an amount of time, specifications and space in the JOURNAL which this Convention would doubtless feel itself unprepared to give. The range and diversity of the Church's literature partake of its catholicity. They are wide and great.

First, and above all, are her sacred Scriptures "given by inspiration of God, and profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

It is in keeping with the purpose of this report to earnestly call attention to the fact that the House of Bishops, in their Pastoral Letter to the Clergy and Laity, issued within this Conventional year, have put us in mind which seems to be needful, that in these Scriptures God hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, who is the Brightness of His Glory and the Express Image of His Person; so that the Revelation thus made is the final Revelation of God to man.

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It is pertinent to remind ourselves that this sacred literature of the Church rightly and urgently demands our "searching" under her guidance, vastly more than it receives. Then the Prayer Book, the Church Manual of Worship and Instruction offers a great fund of information and direction with which to reward every diligent student, while in the lower departments of the Church's literature is a host of books prepared by reverent and faithful disciples of our blessed Lord and students of His Word, who have sought diligently and waited for the enlightening and guidance of the Holy Ghost, that they might be enabled to help their fellowmen grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

The benefit to everyone of reading some of these would be great.

SIDNEY BECKWITH,
THOMAS HINES,
WILLIAM WESTOVER,
F. A. GORHAM,
JOHN F. GOODYEAR.

The report was accepted.

The Committee on the Report of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan presented its report, which was read by Mr. J. L. Sweetnam.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, beg leave to report that they have examined the report with the vouchers accompanying the same, and find it correct.

Signed, J. E. WILKINSON, W. B. WILLIAMS, J. L. SWEETNAM, } Com.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. W. P. Law moved the following resolution.

Resolved: That the members of this Convention wish to place on record their appreciation of the kind hospitality tendered by the Rector, Vestrymen and Members of S. John's Parish. They wish to

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thank, especially, the Ladies of the Parish for the bountiful lunch provided, and the Daughters of the King for their reception tendered at Akeley Institute.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Fair moved that the usual compensation be given to the Sexton of the Church and to the Pages.

Adopted.

The Committee on Christian Education made its report, which was read by the Rev. Lewis Brown.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND AKELEY INSTITUTE.

No epoch in the history of this country has been more momentous for the cause of Christian education than the close of this nineteenth century.

In spite of the many advantages secured, growth in civilization, culture, ease of transit, cheapness of living, general prosperity and peace, grave dangers attend, which, unless stayed, threaten to overthrow all that has been gained and occasion a return to barbarism. The thoughtful student of humanity realizes that crime is on the increase in spite of the deterrent influences of penal legislation. The newspapers bring daily instances to our doors of this terrible scourge. "Vast expenditures are made yearly, with an increasing conviction that the weed grows faster than the cutting. In Great Britain £10,000,000 sterling, and in the United States $59,000,000 are annually poured out on judiciary, police, prisons and reformatories. And the result? In the United States the criminal ratio to population in 1850 was 1 to 3,442; in 1890 it had attained the enormous growth of 1 to 757." Science endeavors to account for this condition along the lines of environment, heredity, psychology and criminal anthropology, but with only approximate success. Malformations of the skull, the brain and the face, while interesting data, do not comprise exhaustive criteria. There is an intimate co-relation between bodily and mental states and processes. Absence of moral sensibility, instability of character, excessive vanity, irritability and love of revenge in a preponderance of cases proceed from inadequate or imperfect educational systems. They are the legitimate product of a philosophy that educates the mind at the expense of the conscience, develops the body, but ignores the soul.

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It is true that we have a splendid common school system, maturing year by year in perfection. All honor to those endeavoring to sow the seeds of higher living and Christian thinking amid such surroundings. We can feel a just pride in the contribution the Church makes through its membership to the ranks of these ofttimes poorly recompensed but generally over-worked servants of the people. Yet, in spite of everything gratulatory in this agency, there is cause for alarm. The modern criminal is, as a general thing, not illiterate. His tools have been sharpened by a benignant policy and the land against which he so feloniously plots has refreshed him generously at her public fountains of learning. Well says Dr. Strong: "There is a dead line of ignorance and vice in every republic, and when it is touched by the average citizen free institutions perish, for intelligence and virtue are as essential to the life of a republic as are brain and heart to the life of a man."

Thus the office of Christian education is supreme. It is the life of Christ, adjusted to the varying needs of society, that will act like leaven upon the mass and produce lasting reform. From the institutions where such adequate teaching is furnished will come the influence so pervasive that in time improvement will be visible throughout. The Church of God has always been dominated by a salutary enthusiasm for humanity. As in past ages she must again set the form of a culture which, based upon Divine law, is both discriminating and comprehensive. It is the author of *Ecce Homo* who affirms: "It is not possible to set bound to the restoring and converting power of virtue when, as it were, it takes fire—when, instead of a rule teaching a man to do justice to his neighbors and to benefit them when an occasion presents itself, it becomes a burning and consuming passion of benevolence, an energy of self-devotion, an aggressive ardor of love."

As pledged followers of the Master, our duty is plain. We must foster all avenues of learning which unite the secular to the spiritual in wise bonds. The family, the State and the Church are alike parts of the Kingdom of God. The precepts of the Gospel are binding upon all. Personal contact, thoughtful counsel, just commendation, loving correction—all have their place in bringing righteousness to the forefront. To circumscribe or limit these is to represent the religion of Jesus as defective. Well may we rejoice that the polity of our ecclesiastical heritage is pervaded with a spirit of Christian nurture, and that everywhere there is instruction hoary with antiquity and wise unto salvation.

The Church must be more conspicuous in the future in laying the foundations of amply equipped and endowed seats of knowledge. Consecrated men of means will find in such opportunities the ground

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for exercising prayerful stewardship. The silver and gold from a Providential hand will thus reveal the beneficence of Heaven. The world will be won, by such examples, to a profession of faith characterized by similar deeds of sacrifice.

Our Diocese has but one institution of education—the beloved Akeley Institute. Begun in a limited way by our noble Diocesan, it has grown already to splendid proportions. Situated at Grand Haven, as healthful a region as can be named, with equipped buildings, substantial in character, it occupies a place in connection with our history worthy of constant citation. The instruction, under Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson, with their corps of efficient assistants, could hardly be excelled. It is a school with a heart in it, a home whose daily life pulsates under the dear Lord's loving glance. Young people coming here go away to bless and ennoble their generation The daily and Sunday services, so beautifully maintained, the mild regimes of study, the kindly oversight and intercourse, the unvarying attention of a Christian household—these bring ripeness in attainment and perfectness in decorum. The advantages are far in excess of the amount required for tuition. Few schools equal, perhaps none surpass this in the range of its benefactions. Its merits entitle it to a generous support in lieu of the straitened income which has been its unvarying lot. Chairs ought to be endowed and scholarships founded. If each Parish in the Diocese would do its part in maintenance, however small, through congregation, Guild or Sunday School, Bishop Gillespie would be relieved of a burden of care and his heart would be strengthened anew. A reasonable increase in tuition would add weight to reputation and doubtless bring a larger attendance of pupils. May the appeal for Akeley not fall on deaf ears. While under the influences of its auspicious presence, let us devise generously for its continued prosperity and its augmented life.

We suggest for nominations for the vacancies on Board of Trustees:

The Rev. W. H. Osborne, of Lansing.
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, of Hastings.
Mr. G. W. McBride, of Grand Haven.
Mr. E. F. Sweet, of Grand Rapids.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes, of Allegan.
Mr. W. L. Downing, of Kalamazoo.
Mr. Worth Landon, of Niles.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS BROWN,
JOHN BREWSTER HUBBS,
CYRUS MENDENHALL,
R. C. DURYEA,
Committee.

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The report was accepted and the nominations for Trustees of Akeley Institute confirmed.

The Committee on Canons made its report upon the matters in the Report of the Committee upon Unfinished Business, which was read by Sections by the Chairman, the Rev. J. W. Bancroft:

REPORT NO. 1.

Your Committee have had under consideration Reports Nos. 6, 7, 8 and 9, to be found on pages 69 and 70 of the JOURNAL of 1894, and are of the opinion that the Canons there referred to were canonically adopted and are of force and effect.

The opinion expressed by the Committee was unanimously adopted.

REPORT NO. 2.

Your Committee also recommend that this Convention do adopt the Amendment to Article IX, of the Constitution, which was proposed and adopted at the last Convention, and which is found upon page 75 of the JOURNAL of 1894.

The report of the Committee was adopted by an aye and nay vote, as follows:

Clerical—Aye: The Rev. Messrs. J. W. Bancroft, Sidney Beckwith, Lewis Brown, Robt. R. Claiborne, E. M. Duff, Campbell Fair' D. D., R. H. F. Gairdner, Thos. Hines, J. Brewster Hubbs, W. P. Law, Wm. Lucas, J. N. Rippey, L. C. Rogers, Herbert Sowerby, W. W. Taylor, Albert E. Wells, Wm. Westover, Jas. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., M. S. Woodruff, Wm. E. Wright, Thomas H. Henley.—21.

Clerical—Nay: None.

Lay—Aye: Messrs. J. E. Nelson, Chas. Christmas, F. A. Gorham E. F. Sweet, Wm. J. Stuart, Jacob Kleinhans, D. G. Robinson, Joseph Van Arman, J. H. Goodyear, Cyrus Mendenhall, J. Davidson Burns, A. J. Mills, Horace F. Cornell, J. L. Sweetnam, Wm. J. Dibble, James M. Parsons, Isaac S. Sherwood, W. H. Meech, Alfred Bullock, S. B. Minshall.—20.

Lay—Nay: Wm. B. Williams.—1.

The report was canonically adopted by a two-third vote.

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REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on Canons has examined the proposed Constitution and Canons referred to them, and recommend their adoption, with certain amendments made on the printed copy herewith presented :

THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION

OF THE

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

ARTICLE I.

THE BOUNDS OF THE DIOCESE.

The Diocese of Western Michigan has jurisdiction over that part of the State of Michigan which embraces the Counties of Berrien, Cass, St. Joseph, Branch, Van Buren, Kalamazoo, Calhoun, Allegan, Barry, Eaton, Ottawa, Kent, Ionia, Muskegon, Montcalm, Oceana, Newaygo, Mecosta, Isabella, Mason, Lake, Osceola, Clare, Manistee, Wexford, Missaukee, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanaw, Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet.

ARTICLE II.

ACCEDING TO THE GENERAL CONSTITUTION.

This Diocese, being a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to the Constitution and Canons of that Church, and acknowledges its authority.

ARTICLE III.

OF THE CONVENTION.

The Diocese of Western Michigan intrusts its legislation to a Convention composed as follows :

SEC. 1. The Bishop and each Clergyman canonically and actually resident and having Pastoral charge within the Diocese, for three months next preceding the meeting of the Convention ; but a Clergyman otherwise competent shall not be excluded who, by reason of age or sickness, is without Pastoral charge.

SEC. 2. Lay delegates, who shall be male communicants and chosen as prescribed by the Canons. Each Church in union with the Convention shall be entitled to one Lay delegate ; and also one additional delegate for each fifty communicants up to one hundred, and one additional delegate for each one hundred communicants in ex-

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cess of the first hundred; but no Church shall have more than seven delegates.

Provided: That a Church, which shall be in arrears for any assessment due from it to the treasury of the Diocese, shall not be entitled to Lay representation; Provided, however, the Convention may, for good cause shown, by a three-fourths vote, remit or postpone the payment of any assessment.

ARTICLE IV.

ADMISSION OF CHURCHES INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. Churches, which may be admitted into union with the Convention, shall be Churches incorporated under the Statute of the State of Michigan as Protestant Episcopal Churches, and shall be known as incorporated Churches; and also Mission Churches, which shall be organized as prescribed by the Canons of the Diocese.

SEC. 2. A Church, complying with such conditions as are required by the Canons of the Diocese, may be admitted into union with the Convention.

ARTICLE V.

MEETING OF CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. The Annual Convention shall meet on the first Wednesday in June at such hour and place as the previous Convention shall determine; but, when circumstances shall render it necessary, the Bishop may change the time and place of meeting; Provided, that fifteen days' notice of such change be given.

SEC. 2. The Bishop shall have power to call special Conventions, giving not less than thirty days' notice thereof; and he shall do so when requested by a vote of three-fourths of the Standing Committee.

When there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention, giving not less than forty days' notice thereof. Such notices shall specify the purpose for which the Convention is called, and no other business shall be transacted at the meeting than that stated in the notice.

ARTICLE VI.

OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION.

The Bishop shall preside at all meetings of the Convention, and, in case of a tie, shall give the casting vote. If the Episcopate be vacant, or the Bishop be absent or unable to act, the members shall elect by ballot a President pro tempore, from among the Clergy, unless the ballot be dispensed with by an unanimous vote.

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ATRICLE VII.

OF OFFICERS.

The Convention shall elect annually by ballot a Standing Committee to consist of four Clergymen and three Laymen, communicants, and also a Secretary, Treasurer and Registrar. A Chancellor shall be nominated annually by the Bishop and confirmed by the Convention. And there shall also be elected annually such other Boards, Committees, Trustees and other officers as shall be prescribed by the Canons, resolutions or other action of the Convention. The powers and duties of the Standing Committee, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar and Chancellor, and all other Boards, Committees and Officers shall be such as prescribed by the Canons, and they shall be entitled, ex-officio, to seats in the Convention, without the right to vote.

ARTICLE VIII.

TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.

SEC. 1. A majority of the Clergymen of the Diocese entitled to seats, and the Lay delegates present, duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except that a smaller number may adjourn from time to time.

SEC. 2. The Clerical and Lay Members shall deliberate in one body, and a majority of the aggregate votes shall decide, except in the cases provided for in Articles III, VI, IX and X. On a call of any five members entitled to vote, the two orders shall vote separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each Order shall be necessary to a decision.

ARTICLE IX.

OF THE ELECTION OF A BISHOP.

SEC. 1. When a Bishop, or an Assistant Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor is to be elected, the election shall be at the regular annual Convention, or at a special Convention duly called for that purpose, and such election shall require a majority of the votes of each Order voting separately.

SEC. 2. When a Bishop is to be elected, a motion to go into the Committee of the Whole shall be a privileged motion after the first ballot, and shall be carried by one-third of the votes of each Order.

ARTICLE X.

OF ALTERING THE CONSTITUTION.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: Propositions for alteration shall be submitted in writing, and considered in

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an Annual Convention, and, if approved by a majority of each Order, shall lie over to the next Annual Convention; and, if then approved by a two-third's vote of each order, with the concurrence of the Bishop, the Constitution shall stand altered as proposed.

On motion, the Convention went into the Committee of the Whole to consider the report.

Mr. J. Davidson Burns was called to the Chair. The Rev. J. E. Wilkinson was appointed Clerk.

The Committee arose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Recess was taken till 7 o'clock in the evening.

WEDNESDAY, 7 P. M.

Missionary Service was said by the Rev. Jas. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., and the Rev. Albert E. Wells.

The Convention came to order, the Bishop in the Chair.

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby made an address upon the general work of missions, and the Rev. W. P. Law upon the subject of Diocesan Missions.

The Report of the Board of Missions was read by the Secretary, the Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

To the Twenty-first Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

The Board of Missions elected at the twentieth convention of the diocese met in St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, 7th June, 1894, and organized by electing the Rev. W. P. Law, Secretary, and Mr. D. G. Robinson, Treasurer. At the second meeting, held September 11, 1894, the Rev. W. P. Law, who had been appointed one of the General Missionaries, resigned his membership on the Board and his office as secretary. The Board thereupon elected the Rev. J. B. Hubbs as secretary, and the standing committee appointed the Rev. P. W. Mosher to fill the vacancy. Four meetings have been held during the year to transact the regular business of the Board.

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The following missionaries have been at work in the Diocese during the year.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
The Rev. W. P. Law, General Missionary.
The Rev. J. N. Rippey, Central Lake and East Jordan.
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Benton Harbor.
The Rev. E. W. Jewell, Petoskey.
The Rev. Wm. Westover, Mt. Pleasant.
The Rev. M. H. Martin, Charlotte.
The Rev. H. H. Hughes, Quincy.
The Rev. A. W. Mann, to the deaf mutes.

The Rev. H. Hughes, resigned, Quincy, 31st August; and the Rev. M. H. Martin, resigned, Charlotte, Dec. 1st, and this mission has since been vacant. Ludington and Greenville have been vacant for the year. The Rev. H. Sowerby, rector at Coldwater, has taken charge of Quincy. Fifty dollars were donated to the building fund of the church at Central Lake, and twenty-five dollars to S. Luke's, Muskegon.

S. Stephen's Mission, Schoolcraft, has been allowed to withdraw its pledge to the Board, and the Rev. A. Wetherbee has been appointed missionary, thus relieving the general missionary.

The Board is strongly of the opinion that a real work for missions could be done, if every Rector would give his care and attention to the mission churches that may be in his neighborhood. This sort of work would greatly supplement that of the general missionary, and in some cases it might relieve him altogether, leaving him free to establish a new station. For the doing of a work of this kind, and to bring it to the attention of the clergy of the diocese, the Board appointed two committees at its September meeting—the Rev. Mr. Hubbs and Dr. Thomas for the Grand Rapids convocation, and the Rev. Mr. Brown and the Rev. Mr. Taylor for the Kalamazoo convocation. The Rev. Mr. Hubbs has held services every Sunday afternoon and on a week day night at S. John's Mission church in the city of Grand Rapids. The Rev. Dr. Thomas has given regular care to the Mission at Greenville, and nearly every Rector, within the Grand Rapids convocation is engaged in similar work. The Rev. Mr. Brown reports that he has held frequent services in the school houses near Battle Creek, and hopes soon to establish two missions. The Board feels confident that some progress has been made during the year. And, begging the convention to realize that missionary

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work in this missionary diocese is most urgent, respectfully refers it for more definite information in regard to the growth and development of the missions in its care to the address of the Bishop.

JOHN BREWSTER HUBBS,
Secretary.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary of the Kalamazoo Convocation, made the following report:

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MISSIONARY IN THE CONVOCATION OF KALAMAZOO FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR 1894-95.

To the Board of Missions of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

DEAR BISHOP AND BRETHREN—During the year ending June 2, 1895, I have given eleven Sundays to Sturgis, ten to Schoolcraft, four each to Three Rivers, Union City and Paw Paw, and two to Mendon —these *eight* places being especially my field this year. I also gave one Sunday each to Luther and Stanton, two by the Bishop's request to Ludington, one which belonged to Luther was by reason of a hackman's neglect passed in Elk Rapids, one by exchange divided between Albion and Homer, also one entirely to Albion and one at Charlotte, given because of withdrawal of appointment made elsewhere. Two Sundays I remained at home on account of health, and on a third because having withdrawn one appointment by urgent request, and had another declined, it was too late to reach any other available place.

There have also been week day services or visitations of the missions for pastoral calls and instruction to the number of seventeen, in all the above-named "eight" places, excepting Paw Paw and Union City.

I have solemnized one marriage at Sturgis, and officiated in three funeral services, one at East Jordan, one at Rockford and one in Brookfield township, Eaton county. Celebrations of the holy communion, public, 42; private, 4; total number of communions, 564. Baptized, at Sturgis, adults 5, children 5; at Schoolcraft, adults 2; at Cassopolis, adults 2, infant 1; at Grand Ledge, adults 3, infants 2; at Paw Paw, children 2; Mendon, adult 1, children 2; Ludington, children 2; total adults, 13; children, 14; total, 27. Confirmed, at Sturgis, 5; at Schoolcraft, 2; at Grand Ledge, 4.

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I have received from the several missions the following sums and remitted the same to the proper treasurer:

From Schoolcraft, $90.30; of which from Sturgis, $31.81; Union City, $20.70; Three Rivers, $9.36; Ludington, $6 96; Paw Paw, $6.41; Cassopolis, $4 14; Charlotte, $4.12; Stanton, $3.64; Mendon, $3 29; Grand Ledge, $1.26; Luther, $0.84; total, $182.83 for diocesan missions.

For general missions: From Sturgis, $10.83; Cassopolis, $1.57; Paw Paw, $2.60; Union City, $2.57; total, $17.57. To the Bishop's Trust Fund, from Sturgis, $3.44; Schoolcraft, $3.15; Grand Ledge, $3.03; total, $9.62. To the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, Sturgis, $2.23; Schoolcraft, $1.26; total, $3.49. To the American Church B. Fund, from Sturgis, $2.51. To Domestic Missions, from Schoolcraft, $1 17; Three Rivers, $1.02; Union City, $1.01; total, $3.20; in all amounting to $220.47; of which, for objects within the diocese, $195 94; and for objects outside the diocese, $24.53.

It would be very easy to indulge a pessimistic strain in regard to the condition and prospects of our work in this convocation, for every one of these eight missions is much short of the position we would all covet for them, and all, or at least all but one suffer from serious if not fatal mistakes made in the course of their history. The exception is Schoolcraft. The faithful women of this mission will think it strange I put them at the head of the list in point of hopefulness, but I do it simply on the ground that they are fairly united, earnest and self-sacrificing, especially persistent, and as yet have made no serious mistake. Their strong point is, they are willing to take advice.

Very grave mistakes have been made in each of the other towns. I will not particularize by name, but merely allude in general terms to some of the most striking, ruinous mistakes. And first I mention excessive, needless expense for church erection at the beginning of missionary enterprise; with the consequent burden of debt which must be carried for years unavailingly. In contrast with this mistake is the more frequent one, practically the same in result, of fitting up rented property and agreeing to pay an annual rental which leaves them no margin of income for acquiring ownership, a foothold on the soil.

One of my missions was wrecked by debt, one, Cassopolis struggled with the rent problem for several years, but last year gave over the effort and has gone to work and saved its earnings and givings,

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and is now nearly $100 ahead. Another, Sturgis, is now wrestling with the same problem, and almost sees its way to buying and building for itself. Grand Ledge, as yet, has not reached the decision to organize and enter on any line of work. At present, on the part of the missionary, all his work here is only tentation. The other three missions, Union City, Three Rivers and Paw Paw, have church buildings well located, and, excepting one, not greatly in need of repair, but in consequence of some other mistake, or series of mistakes, the membership and pecuniary strength have dwindled until there is no possibility of maintaining regular services. In some cases, the fault at the beginning of the series was the fault of the clergyman in charge almost wholly, and in other cases the blame must rest on both priest and people. In most cases that which completes the course of disaster is the suspension of Sunday school work.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. W. P. Law, General Missionary of the Grand Rapids Convocation, made the following report:

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MISSIONARY OF THE GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION.

To the Bishop and Members of the Board of Missions:

I have the pleasure to report that for the nine months from Sept. 1st 1894, to June 4th, 1895, I have missed but one Sunday appointment on account of ill health. The storms and severe cold of the past winter have interfered somewhat with Church work; but, on the whole, the attendance, at nearly every point, upon the Church services has been gratifying.

The number of Confirmations has been small, but there are candidates at several of the Missions who are now in preparation to receive this blessed rite. The Rev. Drs. Fair, Rippey, Thomas, and Rev. Messrs. Martin, Wells, Hines and Jewell have rendered valuable assistance in carrying on the missionary work in the Grand Rapids Convocation. Owing to their labors I have been enabled to concentrate my efforts at fewer points and make some explorations with a view to opening up new fields.

The clean walls of the Churches at Whitehall and Pentwater show that the ladies still love to beautify the sanctuary. The increasing interest at Pentwater and Luther is encouraging and promises

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growth for the future. At the former place the indebtedness on Rectory property is being reduced, and increased services are called for. I have succeeded in starting monthly services at Reed City and Mancelona, where quite a number seem desirous of receiving Baptism and Confirmation. The Church at Rockford awaits Consecration. This Mission was given over to other hands soon after I began work in this Convocation. It seems to me that we need to form centres of work all through the northern portion of the Diocese, that systematic labors may be undertaken in the rural districts, where thousands are growing up without any Sacramental union with the Church. I could find sufficient to occupy my time on one line of railway.

Briefly told, the story of nine months labor is as follows:

Services, 123; Parish calls, 364: Baptisms, 21; Confirmations, 6; Marriages, 6; Burials, 7; Celebration of Holy Communion, 35 times; Miles travelled, 6,609.

Respectfully submitted,

WOODFORD P. LAW.

The report was accepted.

The Treasurer of the Board of Missions, Mr. D. G. Robinson, presented and read his report:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In Account with Diocesan Missions for Moneys Received from June 4th, 1894, to June 6th, 1895:

1894			
June 7	To Cash Balance on hand.....	$ 784	09
	Received from Good Shepherd, Allegan, $16.32; S. S., $10,.....	26	32
	S. Thomas', Battle Creek, $87.50; S. S., $32.50.....	120	00
	S. Andrew's, Big Rapids.....	9	93
	S. Mark's, Coldwater, $20; S. S. $5,	25	00
	S. Paul's, Elk Rapids, $15; S. S., $5,	20	00
	S. John's, Grand Haven, $40; S. S., $5,	45	00
	S. Mark's Grand Rapids, $500; S. S., $25.....	525	00
	Grace, Grand Rapids, $40; S. S., $25,	65	00

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Emmanuel, Hastings, $30 ; S. S., $10,	40 00
Grace, Holland	2 69
S. John's, Ionia, on back dues	46 98
S. John's, Ionia, on Pledge made in 1894	1 00
S. Luke's Kalamazoo	300 00
Grace, Ludington	6 96
Trinity, Marshall	100 00
Trinity, Three Rivers	13 09
Grace, Traverse, City	10 30
Grace, Union City	20 70
Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor	10 00
S. Matthias', Central Lake	12 00
Grace, Charlotte	9 77
Christ, Charlevoix	18 97
S. James', Cassopolis	4 14
Redeemer, East Jordan	50 00
S. Matthew's, Grand Rapids	5 00
S. Paul's, Greenville	6 39
S. Luke's, Muskegon	12 50
S. Mark's, Newaygo	150 00
S. James', Pentwater	81 10
S. Mark's, Paw Paw	6 41
S. James', Rockford	21 82
S. John's, Sturgis	31 81
Church Redeemer, Whitehall	40 60
S. James', Luther	8 73
S. Stephen's, Schoolcraft	91 67
Reed City	1 80
S. Paul's, Mendon	10 55
Akeley Institute	15 00
S. Paul's, Muskegon	50 00
Trinity, Niles	30 00
Mancelona	6 37
Grand Ledge	1 26
S. Beda's Mission, Grand Rapids	3 93
Emmanuel, Petoskey, balance on dues of 1892–93	5 00
Domestic Board, per Rev. J. W. Bancroft	400 00

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Redeemer, East Jordan, balance due on Pledge of 1893	5 92
Rt. Rev. Dan'l Tuttle, D. D.	22 01
Rev. Campbell Fair, Special	10 00
Mrs. J. W. Bancroft	3 00
Lady from Mendon	2 00
F. A. Gorham, Treasurer, Int. on Permanent Missionary Fund	415 79
N. I. Beaudry	5 00
Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, D. D.	10 00
Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D.	12 00
Mr. C. R. Wilkes	10 00
M. H. Mallory & Co.	2 00
Stanton	3 64
S. Paul's, Grand Rapids	15 00
S. John's, Mt. Pleasant	15 00
Miss Mary Penfield	5 00
Women's Aux. Emmanuel, Hastings,	2 50
Rev. W. P. Law	5 00
Geo. C. Chandler	5 00
Hon. Geo. Willard	10 00
Total	$3806 34

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1894-5			
June 1.	Paid Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Exps. acct. for 1893-4	$ 90	14
	" Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Stipend and Exps. to date	1087	53
	" Rev. J. W. Bancroft, for Clerical Ser. on Church Helper	50	00
	" Rev. C. W. Ivie, Stip. and Exps. to Sept. 1, 1894	238	40
	" Rev. Henry Hughes, Stipend	12	50
	" Rev. M. H. Martin, "	50	00
	" Rev. W. P. Law, for Stationery and Postage	1	10
	" Rev. Wm. Westover, Stipend	150	00
	" Rev. M. S. Woodruff, "	175	00
	" Rev. A. E. Wells, "	100	00

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	Paid Rev. W. E. Wright, "	75 00
	" Rev. John E. Nelson, Expense account	4 48
	" Rev. C. A. Stearns, Services as Lay Reader at Three Rivers...	25 00
	" Rev. Lewis Brown, Expense account	2 55
	" Rev. E. W. Jewell, Stipend	50 00
	" Rev. W. P. Law, Stipend and Expense	557 69
	" Rev. W. P. Law, Services as Secretary	1 50
	" Edward R. Munro, Secretary Guarantee Co.	5 00
	" Karl Oppen, Special from Rev. Dr. Fair	10 00
	" Treas. for Stationery and Postage, as per Order of the Board	10 00
	" D. G. Robinson, Expense acct. as per Vote of Board of Missions	1 95
	" J. B. Hubbs, Services as Secretary, as per Vote of Board of Missions	3 50
	Transferred to Deaf Mute Fund, as Vote of Board of Missions	125 00
	Transferred to Church Build'g Fund,	50 00
	" " Book and Tract "	25 00
June 6.	Balance on hand to new account	905 00
	Total	$3806 34
June 6.	Cash on hand	905 00

LIST OF UNPAID PLEDGES JUNE 4TH, 1895, MADE FOR DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

WHEN MADE						
1885	Trinity, Grand Rapids, Balance					$ 9 50
1889	"	"	"	"		15 00
1891	"	"	"	"		43 75
1892	"	"	"	"		30 00
1894	"	"	"	$15;	S. S., $5	20 00

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1893	Christ Church, Homer, $15; S. S., $3	18 00
1893	S. James' " Pentwater, Balance....	52 35
1894	" " " "	9 90
1894	Good Shepherd, Allegan, "	8 68
1894	S. Mark's, Coldwater, "	55 00
1894	Grace, Holland, "	2 31
1894	S. John's, Ionia, "	99 00
1894	Holy Trinity, Manistee.....	20 00
1894	S. Paul's S. S., Muskegon.....	10 00
1894	Trinity, Niles, Balance.....	38 80
1894	Grace, Traverse City, Balance.....	19 70
1894	Grace, Union City, "	9 30
1894	Central Lake, "	25 00
1894	Grace, Charlotte, "	15 23
1894	S. James, Cassopolis, "	5 86
1894	Redeemer, East Jordan, "	25 00
1894	S. Luke's, Muskegon, "	37 50
1894	S. John's, Mt. Pleasant, "	10 00
1894	Emmanuel, Petoskey, "	15 00
1894	S. James, Rockford, "	3 18
1894	Church Redeemer, Whitehall, Balance,	9 40
1894	S. Andrew's Brotherhood, Muskegon,	10 00
1894	Miss Cora R. Wilkes.....	5 00
	Total.....	$622 46

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In Account with the Bishop's Trust Fund.

1894.

June	7.	Balance on hand.....$	452 10
	13.	From Mrs. A. Pyle, Muskegon.....	70
	20.	" St. Paul's, Muskegon.....	3 05
	23.	" Grace, Holland.....	1 16
	25.	" S. James', Sturgis.....	3 44
Aug.	29.	" Redeemer, East Jordan.....	1 00
Sept.	20.	" S. Mark's, Coldwater.....	4 05
	24.	" S. Stephen's, Schoolcraft....	1 50
Nov.	21.	" S. James', Rockford.....	1 50
	4.	" Church Redeemer, Whitehall	1 60
	21.	" Good Shepherd (col. Oct. 28), Allegan	3 40

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21.	"	Hon. W. B. Williams, donated bal. on orders.....	1 95	
Dec. 22.	"	Mrs. Van Dusen, Kalamazoo	10 00	
1895.				
Jan. 14.	"	Grand Ledge.....	3 03	
14.	"	Cash returned by Rev. Mr. Parish.....	20 00	
Feb. 19.	"	S. James', Pentwater.....	3 05	
Mar. 13.	"	Woman's Auxiliary, S. Mark's Grand Rapids.....	18 00	
19.	"	Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor	7 60	
21.	"	Akeley Institute, G'd Haven.	1 20	
29.	"	S. John's, Mt. Pleasant.....	4 13	
April 9.	"	S. Stephen's, Schoolcraft....	1 65	
12.	"	S. James', Albion.....	2 33	
16.	"	Christ Church, Homer.....	1 75	
16.	"	Trinity, Marshall.....	10 00	
18.	"	S. John's, Grand Haven.....	5 09	
18.	"	S. Thomas', Battle Creek.....	9 88	
20.	"	St. Luke's, Kalamazoo, Woman's Auxiliary.....	10 00	
22.	"	Grace, Grand Rapids.....	4 01	
23.	"	Mrs. J. W. Bancroft, Hastings	3 00	
24.	"	S. Luke's, Kalamazoo.....	24 36	
24.	"	S. John's, Ionia.....	6 18	
May 6.	"	S. Paul's, Greenville.....	10 00	
14.	"	S. Mark's, Coldwater.....	4 75	
14.	"	S. John's, Quincy.....	1 47	
15.	"	S. Paul's, Grand Rapids.....	2 00	
21.	"	Holy Trinity, Manistee.....	14 32	
23.	"	Emmanuel, Hastings.....	5 73	
28.	"	S. Paul's, Muskegon.....	5 16	
28.	"	S. Luke's, Muskegon.....	1 00	
23.	"	Woman's Auxiliary, Allegan	7 50	
				$ 672 64
1895.				
June 4.		By cash balance on hand.....	$ 242 50	

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1894.		
June 25.	Paid Rev. P. W. Mosher expense as per order.....	$ 2 40

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25.	Paid Rev. W. H. Martin expense as per order	2 15
25.	Paid West Michigan Printing Co. bill as per order	1 75
26.	Paid Rev. Lewis Brown expense as per order	3 85
July 2.	Paid Rev. Wm. E. Wright, expense as per order	1 80
5.	Paid Rev. Thos. H. Henly, expense as per order	3 40
17.	Paid Bishop Gillespie bill of items up to 6—5	7 40
18.	Paid the Bishop order to Hon. N. P. Loveridge	2 00
Aug. 11.	Paid the Bishop order to Rev. Wm. E. Wright expense acct	4 55
15.	Paid the Bishop order to Rev. W. W. Taylor, expense acct	7 25
Sept. 18.	Paid the Bishop order to H. D. Chambers	25 00
19.	Paid the Bishop order to Rev. A. E. Wells expense acct	1 95
21.	Paid the Bishop order special gift to a clergyman	25 00
Oct. 6.	Paid the Bishop order Garritson, Cox & Co. bill for Akeley	1 50
11.	Paid the Bishop order to Rev. Wm. E. Wright expense acct	1 70
Nov. 8.	Paid Eaton, Lyon & Co. bill 11—1 as per order	10 89
8.	Paid Bishop's order to H. D. Chambers as per order	20 00
22.	Paid Bishop order to Rev. W. W. Taylor, semi-annual at Hastings.	45 00
27.	Paid Bishop order to Rev. Wm. E. Wright expense acct	2 45
27.	Paid Bishop order to F. A. Gorham, Treasurer, insurance on Rockford church	12 50
28.	Paid Rev. M. H. Martin expense acct	1 80

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30.	Paid West Michigan Printing Co. bill 11—9	2 25
Dec. 3.	Paid Eaton, Lyon & Co. bill	3 35
14.	Paid Rev. M. H. Martin expense acct 12—6	1 80
14.	Paid Rev. Wm. E. Wright expense acct, 12—6	1 70
18.	Paid Hon. W. B. Williams expense acct, 10—9	1 75
18.	Paid Hon. W. B. Williams expense acct, 11—8	1 75
18.	Paid Hon. W. B. Williams expense acct, 12—6	1 85
Dec. 28.	Paid bill Young Churchman of December, 24—94	7 00
31.	Paid the Bishop's order to H. D. Chambers	14 00

1895.

Jan. 8.	Paid Bishop's order to Rev. J. B. Hubbs for S. John's Mission, Grand Rapids	7 85
9.	Paid Bishop's order to F. A. Gorham, Treas., for bal. due him on insurance acct	26 33
25.	Paid M. H. Mallory & Co., Churchman for Olivet college per order	3 00
25.	Paid Raynor & Taylor bill, Jan. 21, '95, per order	5 12
29.	Paid West Michigan Printing Co. bill 1—22	3 00
30.	Paid Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Akeley Institute, for sundries for the Daughters of the King	10 45
Feb. 4.	Paid Bishop's order to H. D. Chambers	15 00
19.	Paid Bishop's order to Rev. J. W. Bancroft, expenses for quiet day held at Trinity, Marshall	40 00
23.	Paid West Michigan Printing Co. bill, 2—8	2 75

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Mar. 13	Paid West Michigan Printing Co. bill 3—7, for Easter financial blanks	3 50	
13	Paid New York Evening Post for Akeley Institute	2 00	
29.	Paid Bishop's order to Rev. W. E. Wright, expense acct	1 80	
April 13.	Paid West Michigan Printing Co. bill 4—5	2 25	
22.	Paid Rev. J. W. Bancroft, per order expense on semi-annual held at Albion	35 00	
27.	Paid Bishop's order to H. D. Thomason, M. D., expense acct. at Albion	10 00	
27.	Paid West Michigan Printing Co. bill, 4—19	1 25	
May 23.	Paid Carl Reed Taylor (as a loan)	30 00	
23.	Bal. due Treas. on Ministerial Fund	2 10	
31.	Paid Bishop Gillespie bill of items.	12 95	
June 4.	Bal. on hand to new acct	242 50	
			$ 672 64

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In Account with Deaf Mute Fund:

1894			
June 7.	Balance on hand	$ 16 63	
7.	Transferred from Diocesan Mission Fund	125 00	
Aug. 21.	Received from Mrs. T. P. Sheldon,	2 00	
21.	" " Old Mission, per Bishop Gillespie	5 00	
28.	Received from S. Beda's Mission, Grand Rapids	4 54	
1895			
Jan. 2.	Received from S. Paul's, Elk Rapids	2 61	
April 30.	Received from S. Beda's Mission, Grand Rapids	4 16	
	Total		$ 159 94

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1895				
June	1.	Am't Rev. A. W. Mann, Stipend, to date	$125 00	
	4.	Balance on hand	34 94	
		Total		$ 159 94
June	4.	Balance on hand	$ 34 94	

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In Account with Church Building Fund, Western Michigan:

1894				
June	7.	Balance on hand	$ 32 23	
	7.	Transferred from Diocesan Mission Fund	50 00	
1895				
May	25.	Received from F. A. Gorham, Treasurer, Int. on Rectory Building Fund	40 48	
		Total		$ 122 71

CONTRA.

1894				
Nov.	7.	Paid Rev. Philip W. Mosher, for S. Luke's Mission, Muskegon, as per order	$ 25 00	
	22.	Paid Rev. J. N. Rippey, for Central Lake Mission, as per vote of Board of Missions, 11-21	50 00	
June	4.	Balance on hand	47 71	
		Total		$ 122 71

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In Account with Book and Tract Fund:

1894				
June	7.	To Balance on hand	$ 24 23	
	7.	Transferred from Diocesan Mission Fund	25 00	
		Total		$ 49 23

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CONTRA.

1894				
Aug.	27.	Paid Rev. C. W. Ivie, Balance due, as per order	$ 65	
Dec.	31.	Paid Rev. W. P. Law, as per order	5 00	
1895				
Feb.	11.	Paid Eaton, Lyon & Co., bill for books for C. R. Taylor, as per order	6 62	
Mar.	22.	Paid the Parish Choir, Boston, bill for books for S. Matthew's Mission, Grand Rapids, as per order	4 99	
June	4.	Balance on hand	31 97	
		Total		$ 49 23
June	4.	Balance on hand	$ 31 97	

Treasurer in Account with New Book Fund:

1894				
June	7.	Balance on hand	$ 5 00	

CONTRA.

1894				
Dec.	24.	Paid T. Whittaker, bill 12-1, as per order	$ 25	
		Paid T. Whittaker, bill 12-15, as per order	3 03	
1895				
June	4.	Balance to New acct	1 72	
		Total		$ 5 00
June	4.	Balance on hand	1 72	

Treasurer in Account with Ministerial Fund, Diocese Western Michigan:

1894				
June	7,	Balance due Treasurer	$ 2 82	
1895				
Mar.	20.	Paid H. D. Chambers, per order	$ 15 00	
	26.	Paid H. D. Chambers, per order	10 00	
		Total		$ 27 82

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CONTRA.

1895			
Jan.	30.	Received from Dr. Van Deusen....$	25 00
April	30.	Received from S. Beda's Mission, Grand Rapids.....	72
May	29.	Charged Bishop's Trust Fund to balance	2 10
		Total.....$	27 82

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,

In Account with the Bishop's Penny Fund from June 5, 1894 up to June 1, 1895:

1894			
June	5.	On hand.....$	6 50
		From Emmanuel S. S., Hastings,	3 75
Dec.	14.	Grace, Charlotte.....	1 00
1895			
Feb.	11.	Grace, Charlotte.....	25
Mar.	19.	Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor.....	79
April	16.	Trinity, Marshall.....	10 00
		Total.....$	22 29

The report was referred to the Committee on the Accounts of the Board of Missions.

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Pledges were received from the Parishes and Missions and from individuals:

Names of Parishes, Missions and Individuals.	Parishes and Missions	Sunday Schools	Individuals
Albion, S. James'	$ 15 00		
Allegan, Good Shepherd	25 00	$ 10 00	
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	125 00	25 00	
Coldwater, S. Mark's (conditional)	60 00	20 00	
Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	15 00	5 00	
Grand Haven, S. John's	40 00		
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	500 00		
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	15 00		
Grand Rapids, Grace	25 00		
Hastings, Emmanuel	25 00	10 00	
Homer, Christ	10 00		
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	300 00		
Ludington, Grace	5 00		
Marshall, Trinity	100 00		
Muskegon, S. Paul's	50 00	10 00	
Niles, Trinity	50 00		
Traverse City, Grace	10 00		
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	10 00		
East Jordan, Redeemer (conditional)	75 00		
Muskegon, S. Luke's	50 00		
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	10 00		
Newaygo, S. Mark's (conditional)	150 00		
Pentwater, S. James'	80 00		
Whitehall, Redeemer	25 00		
Luther	10 00		
Mancelona	20 00		
Mr. C. R. Wilkes			$10 00
Miss Cora Wilkes			5 00
Akeley Institute			15 00
W. D. Hopkins			5 00
Rev. W. P. Law			5 00
Rev. M. S. Woodruff			5 00
Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner			5 00
Rev. Wm. Lucas			5 00
Mr. S. B. Minshall, Pentwater			5 00
Rev. Lewis Brown			5 00
Rev. G. Mott Williams			20 00
Rev. Jas. E. Wilkinson			10 00
Mr. J Van Arman			5 00
Mr. J. D. Burns			10 00
Mr. A. J. Mills, for Paw Paw			5 00
Totals	$1,800	$80 00	$115 00
The whole amount of pledges			$1,995 00

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Recess was taken till Thursday morning at 8:30 o'clock.

[A reception was tendered the members of the Convention by the Daughters of the King, of Akeley Intitute, in the reception room of Lathrop Hall. Refreshments were served. Many who had never been at the Institute before expressed surprise at the completeness of the School in every department. All were delighted with their entertainment.]

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY.

8:30 A. M.

Morning prayer was said by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. W. W. Taylor and M. S. Woodruff.

The Bishop read that portion of his annual address relating to deceased Bishops, and offered memorial prayers.

The Convention came to order, the Bishop in the chair.

The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

The Bishop appointed as Committee on Observance of Special Days:

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby.
The Rev. E. M. Duff.
Mr. E. F. Sweet.

Elections being in order, the Chair appointed the Rev. Thomas Hines and Mr. J. E. Nelson as tellers.

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Mr. A. J. Mills moved that the rules be suspended and that the Secretary be authorized to cast the ballot of the Convention for Wm. J. Dibble as Treasurer of the Convention.

Adopted by Aye and Nay vote. Aye, 27; nay, 0.

The Secretary cast the ballot as directed, and Mr. Wm. J. Dibble was declared elected Treasurer of the Convention.

The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner moved that the rules be suspended, and that the Secretary be authorized to cast the ballot for the Rev. A. E. Wells as Registrar of the Diocese.

Adopted.

The Secretary cast the ballot as directed. The Rev. Albert E. Wells was declared elected as Registrar of the Diocese.

The election of Standing Committee being in order, the tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the votes.

Mr. Wm. B. Williams moved that the discussion in the Committee of the Whole on the Revised Constitution be limited to five minutes for each speaker on any proposed Amendment.

Carried.

The Convention went into Committee of the Whole on the subject of the Revised Constitution. Mr. J. Davidson Burns in the Chair.

The Committee rose and the Convention resumed its session to hear the report of the tellers.

REPORT OF TELLERS ON ELECTION OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

Whole No. of votes cast.....42
Necessary to a choice.....22

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The Rev. Campbell Fair received.....37
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft received.....33
The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne received.....26
Mr. J. Davidson Burns received.....33
Mr. F. A. Gorham received.....33
Mr. C. R. Wilkes received.....32

One clergyman to be elected.

Received the next highest number of votes:

The Rev. Messrs. Lewis Brown received 19; Philip W. Mosher, 13; M. H. Martin, 13; J. Brewster Hubbs, 11; Sidney Beckwith, 9; Messrs. George Willard received 10; Thos. Smurthwaite, 4.

Signed, THOMAS HINES,
JOHN EYRE NELSON,
Tellers.

The tellers again collected the ballots for one Clergyman, and retired to count the votes.

The Tellers reported: No election.

The ballots were again collected, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

The Committee of the Whole resumed its session.

The Committee rose.

The Convention resumed its session.

The report of the Committee of the Whole came up for consideration.

The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole reported that the Committee of the Whole had under consideration the proposed Revised Constitution, and have made sundry amendments thereto, which are attached, instructing me to report the same back to the Convention, with the recommendation that these amendments be concurred in, and that the accompanying resolution be adopted:

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Resolved: That the Constitution as revised by the Special Commission appointed by the Bishop, and reported to this Convention and amended by it, be adopted and submitted to the next Annual Convention; and, if duly adopted by such Convention, it shall become the Constitution of the Diocese of Western Michigan; and, thereupon, the Constitution in force this 6th day of June, 1895, shall be repealed. And, until final adoption, the present Constitution and Canons of the Diocese shall remain in full force and virtue.

Mr. William B. Williams called for a division of the question on the report of the Committee of the Whole, and moved that the amendments be concurred in.

The Rev. L. C. Rogers moved the following resolution of amendment:

Resolved: That Article III, Section 2, of the proposed Constitution be amended by striking out all after the word "Canons" in line second, and substituting therefor the following: Each incorporated Church shall be entitled to three Lay Delegates, and each Mission Church to one Lay Delegate.

Pending discussion upon the resolution, the tellers returned and reported:

REPORT OF TELLERS.

Whole No. of votes cast	34
Necessary to a choice	18
The Rev. Lewis Brown received	22
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher received	7
The Rev. Sidney Beckwith received,	3
The Rev. M. H. Martin received	2

Signed, THOMAS HINES,
J. E. NELSON.
Tellers.

The Rev. Lewis Brown was declared elected a member of the Standing Committee.

The Chair appointed the Rev. W. W. Taylor and Mr. Joseph Van Arman as Tellers for the election of members of the Board of Missions.

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The ballots were collected and the Tellers retired.

The resolution of the Rev. L. C. Rogers came up for consideration.

The call of five members for a vote by Orders was made, the resolution taking precedence of the resolution of the Committee of the Whole.

Pending the discussion, the tellers made their report :

REPORT OF TELLERS ON ELECTION OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Whole No. of Ballots cast	40
Necessary to a choice	21
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher received	36
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner received	31
The Rev. L. C. Rogers received	30
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs received	29
The Rev. Wm. E. Wright received	23
Mr. D. G. Robinson received	39
Mr. J. E. Nelson received	36
Mr. W. J. Stuart received	39
Mr. E. F. Sweet received	26

Signed, J. H. VAN ARMAN,
W. W. TAYLOR,
Tellers.

The gentlemen named above were all declared duly elected as members of the Board of Missions.

Election of Deputies to the General Convention being in order, the Chair appointed the Rev. Albert E. Wells and Isaac S. Sherwood as tellers.

The ballots were collected and the tellers retired.

Discussion on the resolution of the Rev. L. C. Rogers was resumed.

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A vote by Orders on the resolution was taken, with the following result :

Clerical—Aye : The Rev. Messrs. Campbell Fair, D. D., R. H. F. Gairdner, Thomas Hines, Philip W. Mosher, L. C. Rogers, Herbert Sowerby, James E. Wilkinson.—7.

Clerical—Nay : The Rev. Messrs. J. W. Bancroft, Sidney Beckwith, Lewis Brown, Robt. R. Claiborne, J. Brewster Hubbs, W. P. Law, Wm. Lucas, J. N. Rippey, W. W. Taylor, Wm. Westover, M. S. Woodruff, Wm. E. Wright, Thos. H. Henley.—13.

Lay—Aye : Messrs. J. E. Nelson, Robt. C. Duryea, Cyrus Mendenhall, J. L. Sweetnam, M. J. Minhinnick, S. B. Minshall, Alfred Bullock.—7.

Lay—Nay : Messrs. William B. Williams, F. A. Gorham, E. F. Sweet, Wm. J. Stuart, Jacob Kleinhans, D. G. Robinson, J. H. Van Arman, J. Davidson Burns, A. J. Mills, Horace F. Cornell, Wm. J. Dibble, James M. Parsons.—12.

The resolution was lost.

The vote recurring upon the resolution offered by the Committee of the Whole, it was taken by Orders on count of the Secretary :

Clerical—Aye, 13 ; Nay, 3.

Lay—Aye, 12 ; Nay, 6.

The resolution was adopted by a two-third vote.

The revised Constitution was then adopted as a whole, and lies over, for final action, to the next Annual Convention.

The Canons presented by the Committee were postponed till the next Annual Convention.

The Committee on the State of the Church was continued to next year.

The invitation from S. Luke's, Kalamazoo, for the Convention to meet in that parish next year was unanimously accepted.

The Committee on the Observance of Special days was continued to the next Annual Convention.

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Recess was taken till 12:45 p. m.

THURSDAY, 12:45 P. M.

The Convention came to order, the Bishop in the chair.

The tellers returned and made the following report:

REPORT OF TELLERS ON ELECTION OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Whole No. of ballots cast	41
Necessary to a choice	21
The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., received	29
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft received	17
The Rev. J. B. Hubbs received	15
The Rev. Jas. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., received	14
The Rev. Rob't R. Claiborne received	13
The Rev. J. N. Rippey received	12
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner received	11
The Rev. L. C. Rogers received	10
The Rev. W. P. Law received	8
The Rev. Lewis Brown received	7
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans received	28
Mr. J. Davidson Burns received	28
Mr. D. G. Robinson received	30
Mr. Wm. B. Williams received	23
Mr. F. A. Gorham received	11
Mr. Wm. J. Dibble received	11
Mr. E. F. Sweet received	9
Mr. George Willard received	3

Signed,

ALBERT E. WELLS,
ISAAC S. SHERWOOD,
Tellers.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., was elected as Clerical Deputy; and Messrs. Jacob Kleinhans, J. Davidson Burns, David G. Robinson and Wm. W. Willlams were elected as Lay Deputies.

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Three Clerical Deputies to be elected.

The ballots were collected, with the Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs and Mr. F. A. Gorham as tellers.

The tellers retired to count the votes.

The Committee on Accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions and other Funds reported as follows, by the Rev. L. C. Rogers:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Committee, to whom was referred the Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions, respectfully report that we have examined the Report of said Board, with the accompanying vouchers, and find it correct.

L. C. ROGERS,
J. M. PARSONS,
ALFRED BULLOCK,
I. S. SHERWOOD,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Sidney Beckwith and Mr. Cyrus Mendenhall as tellers on the election of members to the Missionary Council.

The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the votes.

The tellers on the election of Clerical Deputies to the General Convention reported:

REPORT.

Whole No. of ballots cast	32
Necessary to a choice	17
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs received	17
The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne received	18
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft received	14
The Rev. Wm. E. Wright received	11
The Rev. Lewis Brown received	9
The Rev. L. C. Rogers received	6

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The Rev. Jas. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., received..... 6
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner received..... 6
The Rev. J. N. Rippey received..... 4
The Rev. Sidney Beckwith received..... 4
The Rev. W. P. Law received..... 1

Signed, J. B. HUBBS,
F. A. GORHAM,
Tellers.

The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs and the Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne were declared elected.

One Clerical Deputy yet to be elected.

The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the votes.

The tellers on the election to the Missionary Council reported:

REPORT.

Whole No. of votes cast.....34
Necessary to a choice.....18
The Rev. Herbert Sowerby received.....16
The Rev. W. P. Law received.....13
The Rev. E. M. Duff received..... 3
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff received..... 2
Mr. C. R. Wilkes received.....24
Mr. Geo. Willard received.....10

Signed, SIDNEY BECKWITH,
CYRUS MENDENHALL,
Tellers.

Mr. C. R. Wilkes was declared elected.

No election of Clerical member.

The ballots were again collected; the votes counted.

The tellers reported:

REPORT.

Whole No. votes cast.....25
Necessary to a choice.....13
The Rev. Herbert Sowerby received.....21

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The Rev. W. P. Law received..... 3
The Rev. E. M. Duff received..... 1

Signed, SIDNEY BECKWITH,
CYRUS MENDENHALL,
Tellers.

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby was declared elected.

The tellers on the election of a Clerical Deputy to the General Convention reported no election.

The ballots were again collected and the tellers retired:

The tellers reported:

REPORT.

Whole No. votes cast.....34
Necessary to a choice.....18
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft received.....19
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner received..... 6
The Rev. Wm. E. Wright received..... 6
The Rev. L. C. Rogers received..... 2
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher received..... 1

Signed, J. B. HUBBS,
F. A. GORHAM,
Tellers.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft was declared elected Deputy to the General Convention.

The Rev. Philip W. Mosher and Mr. E. F. Sweet were appointed tellers on the election of Alternate Deputies to the General Convention.

Nominations were made as follows:

The Rev. Messrs. Wm. E. Wright, Philip W. Mosher, R. H. F. Gairdner, Sidney Beckwith, Jas. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., W. P. Law. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Lewis Brown; and Messrs. George Willard, Horace F. Cornell, E. F. Sweet, F. A. Gorham, Robt. C. Duryea, Wm. J. Minhinnick.

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The ballots were collected and the tellers retired to count the votes.

The following members were excused from further attendance:

The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne, Mr. J. Davidson Burns, Mr. A. J. Mills, Mr. Horace F. Cornell, Mr. Wm. J. Dibble, Mr. James M. Parsons and Mr. Cyrus Mendenhall.

The tellers on the election of Alternate Deputies to the General Convention reported:

REPORT OF TELLERS ON ELECTION OF ALTERNATE DEPUTIES.

Whole No. of ballots cast.....33
Necessary to a choice.....17
The Rev. Wm. E. Wright received.....19
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner received.....20
The Rev. Lewis Brown received.....14
The Rev. W. P. Law received.....13
The Rev. Jas. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., received.....15
Mr. Horace F. Cornell received.....22
Mr. E. F. Sweet received.....26
Mr. George Willard received.....17
Mr. F. A. Gorham received.....23

Signed, P. W. MOSHER,
E. F. SWEET,
Tellers.

The Rev. Wm. E. Wright, the Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, Mr. Horace F. Cornell, Mr. E. F. Sweet, Mr. George Willard and Mr. F. A. Gorham were declared elected as alternate Deputies to the General Convention.

Two Clerical Deputies to be elected.

The tellers collected the ballots for the two Alternate Deputies and retired to count the votes.

The tellers returned and reported:

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REPORT OF TELLERS.

Whole No. votes cast.....27
Necessary to a choice.....14
The Rev. Lewis Brown received.....21
The Rev. Jas. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., received.....22

Signed, P. W. MOSHER,
E. F. SWEET,
Tellers.

The Rev. Jas. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., and the Rev. Lewis Brown were declared elected as Alternate Deputies to the General Convention.

The minutes of the day were read and approved.

It was moved and carried, that after the usual devotions the Convention adjourn.

The *Gloria in Excelsis* was sung.

The Bishop made a brief address, offered prayers and pronounced the Blessing of Peace.

GEORGE D. GILLESPIE,
President.

Attest.
J. N. RIPPEY, Secretary.
JAS. E. WILKINSON, Asst. Secretary.

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APPENDIX A.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

Year by year we have assembled in our diocesan Convention till this marks the twenty-first. It is a rounded period. A score of years has past since December 2, A. D. 1874, made us a Diocese, and St. Matthias' Day, February 24, A. D. 1875, gave us the Episcopate. The score is an ancient reckoning. Our ancestors before the knowledge of writing, numbered and kept account of numbers by cutting notches on a stick or tally, and making one notch the representation of twenty. It is a sacred reckoning. The lengthened pilgrimage of the Patriarchs is told in the hundred and the score. "And the days of Isaac were an hundred and four score years." This is the term that tells the limit of human life. "The days of our age are three score years and ten, and though men be so strong that they come to four score years, yet is their strength then but labor and sorrow; so soon passeth it away and we are gone." We stand then today at one of those landmarks that bid us pause and look back, and when we have thus taken our bearings, to look forward into an untraveled future. Though at times in my addresses I have taken note of

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lengthened periods, I have counted on the end of the 20th year as a time to make a study of our Diocesan life. You will recall the Pastoral addressed to the Diocese early in the Conventional year, entitled "The Outlook of the Year," in which I urged that "the year should be marked by some decided advance in the interests of the Diocese."

Having presented the usual review of the year I shall invite you to this broader contemplation.

THE DECEASE OF BISHOPS.

Three names has been withdrawn from the Episcopate by death.

The Rt. Rev. William Bell White Howe, D. D., Bishop of South Carolina, passed to the rest of Paradise, November 25th, A. D., 1894, completing more than twenty-three years of service. Though only a year beyond the three score and ten, he had been for two years so far incapacitated for his duties as to call for an assistant. He made a noble record, "as a man of sturdy and unyielding convictions; and of a splendid moral strength, in the stand he assumed and maintained in his Convention on the rights of the Priesthood of colored men.

The Church has not yet recovered from the shock of the sudden decease of the Rt. Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker D. D., Bishop of Indiana, on December 31, A. D., 1894. His length of days, his sturdy form, his ceaseless energy, gave promise of longer opportunity for his successful work. I was one of his Consecrators, having made his acquaintance in the winter of '74-'75, when I was in Minneapolis in the shadow of a great sorrow;

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and had been the guest in his genial home at Indianapolis. As Pastor and Bishop, he was the illustration of hearty, wise earnestness. He took in hand the opportunities opened before him. No labor was too lowly, too wearying, if it promised some worthy accomplishment. His foundations were well laid and his work will stand. The Bishop was a lovely character, so gentle, so cheerful, so reasonable, so loving.

The Rt. Rev. Elisha Smith Thomas, S. T. D., was at the funeral of Bishop Knickerbacker. He too seemed to have the promise of long service in his important field. On March 9, A. D., 1895, he was not. Those who knew him best witness, "In Kansas multiplied voices could tell of the wholesomeness and excellence of his leadership. That excellence was the outgrowth of depth of faith, kindness of heart, breadth of mind, largeness of sympathy, clearness of judgment and devotion to duty. There was never a more painstaking Bishop, and never one who inspired greater loyalty in his clergy, schools, parishes and mission fields, the beneficial results of which coming years will more and more demonstrate."

CONFIRMATIONS.

The number confirmed in 20 Parishes, 17 missions and 1 other place is 397, 70 more than in 1894.

In some cases candidates have been presented at as early an age as eleven or twelve years. It must be very rare that a boy or girl below fourteen or fifteen, has come to that thoughtfulness and fixedness of purpose that "years of discretion"

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imply; not to speak of the religious intelligence, which "sufficiently instructed in the Church Catechism" requires. The doubts and difficulties of the Christian Faith so widely and insidiously disseminated, demand that the youthful conscripts should be well armed—"grounded and settled," so as to "continue in the faith." I have recently seen it stated that religious doubt has affected women more than men, and some experience has made the charge plausible. If so, this has its suggestion for the care taking of the Pastor in his sacred charge. Let no Minister be satisfied until the youth are learners beyond the words of Creed and Catechism; and the confirmees are "renewing the vow," to "believe all the Articles of the Christian Faith as contained in the Apostles' Creed;" by "being ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh them, a reason concerning the hope that is in them."

THE PROGRESS OF THE YEAR.

The hope expressed in the pastoral has, the good hand of God upon us, been to some extent realized. In the line of laying of a Corner Stone, the opening of a Church, and of a Guild house, we have in each one instance to record. The same is true in Ordination to the Priesthood. Transfer, which as in other cases has made me very wary as to sending our Candidates to Eastern Institutions, has deprived us of the ordering of a Deacon.

To refer to the Parochial record—St. James', Albion, again partly opens its doors and with signs

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of better things. St. Thomas', Battle Creek, has repaired and beautified the Sanctuary, and added to its landed estate what will enhance the comfort of the Rectory, and gives place for a future Guild house. Coldwater under the well chosen Shepherd emerges from under the cloud that overshadowed it when we last met. St. Mark's and Grace, Grand Rapids, have taken in hand indebtedness that especially burdened the latter and with encouraging result. St. Paul's is reaching after the better estate we have long desired for it and will be greatly helped by a Guild room just finished. Homer has greatly improved the interior of the church, St. Luke's, Kalamazoo, has opened one of the best Parish Homes I know of in the Church. Grace, Ludington, at last asks for a Rector, and says how far it can go towards his support. Traverse City has acquired a lot beautiful for situation, an exchange most happy.

In the Mission field, only limited growth is to be looked for and should give satisfaction. Christ, Charlevoix, is building; I fear the planning, by what is desired rather than what is within ability, means completion more distant than we could desire. St. Matthias, Central Lake, is securing with Diocesan and the Church Building Commission aid, an humble sanctuary. St. Paul's, Greenville, under the kind care of the Rector of Ionia, has developed an interest that will be permanent if constant ministeral charge is secured. St. John's, Grand Rapids, by the purchase of a lot, and placing on it the very comfortable church from Oakdale

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Park, is prepared to grow into a parish. St. Matthew's, under unremitting lay charge, is gradually gaining strength. The energy of the Rector of St. Mark's has opened services in a new quarter of the city. The church at Mendon has been recovered. The building was erected 1868. The firm of Lewis & Van Ness advanced a large part of the cost. Becoming embarassed in their business, they mortgaged the property. On their failure, it became part of their assets. After being in use by several religious bodies, the church came to a sale, and has been secured, the Rectory Fund loaning $275, and the Rev. J. W. Bancroft $175. St. John's, Sturgis, shows a hopeful energy. Under the General Missionaries, Mancelona and Grand Ledge are ripening for stated services.

I have spoken only of what "cometh with observation." There is many a sign of better things, many an incident, that cheers the heart of Pastor and Bishop, that may not be told.

How much there is that I would fain tell! Much that I have said before, I long to see. Shall I speak to ears dull of hearing and unwilling to be told, when looking over the Diocese, I enumerate needs of healthful progressive life? I merely instance Marshall and Niles' great need each of a Parish house; Ionia's lack of a Rectory; Traverse City of a church worthy the most flourishing city in our northern borders; Union City and Three Rivers of repaired churches. And then the mind to work and to pay at several points.

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THE VACANCY AND SUPPLY OF PARISHES.

Our clerical list has changed but little. In August '94, I placed Albion and Homer under the charge of Rev. Thomas H. Henley, Deacon, he having lately closed his connection with Greenville. Allegan passed under the care of the Rev. William Lucas, May 19, '95, the Rev. W. P. Law having closed his Rectorship September 2, '94. Coldwater received its new Rector Rev. Herbert Sowerby, January 6, '95, the close of the Rectorship of Rev. Henry Hughes dating July 2, '93. St. Paul's, Grand Rapids, resigned by the Rev. A. Mead Burgess, July 1, 94, Rev. E. M. Duff took charge, November 1, '94. Quincy vacated August 31, '94 by Rev. H. Hughes, is supplied by the Rector of St. Mark's, Coldwater, as his engagements will allow. The Rev. C. G. Oppen closed his work among the Germans at Manistee, Easter, 1895. The Rev. M. H. Martin closed his work at Charlotte December 1, '94, the vacancy continues. With this exception, all our Parishes and Missions capable of self support, entirely or with such aid as the Board of Missions can give, are supplied. It is not often that I can make this gratifying statement.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

Eleven clergymen have received aid from the Fund of the Diocese and the grant of the General Board, during the whole or part of the year. The number of places served by local Missionaries is nine. The General Missionaries have given regular services commonly monthly to six places, occasionally to 7. In all 49 places are brought more

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or less under church influence. The whole expenditure for Missions in our bounds has been $3922.25. Our Diocesan Fund has contributed to church erection $75.00. The Rectory Fund has loans to churches $715.

The points that have received attention from the Parochial Clergy are, Greenville, the Rev. W. H. Thomas, D. D.; Grand Rapids, St John's, Rev. J. B. Hubbs; South-west section, Rev. C. Fair, D. D.; Frankfort, Sherman and Thompsonville, Rev. A. E. Wells; Muskegon, St. Luke's, Rev. P. W. Mosher; Quincy, Rev. H. Sowerby. The Bishop of Missouri has again given his valuable services to Harbor Springs. The Rev. A. Reeves, M. D., continues his charitable work for St. John's, Grand Rapids. Lay work has been effective at Allegan, Battle Creek, Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's, St. Beda's Mission to Deaf Mutes, Holland, Homer, Elk Rapids, Ludington, Marshall, Muskegon, St. Luke's, Rockford, Sturgis, Three Rivers.

Although the payment of pledges, never as prompt as should be, has been unusually dilatory, the stipends have been regularly paid.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONFERENCE AND THE QUIET DAYS.

The Semi-Annuals have been held at Hastings and Albion. The Quiet days for the clergy and for women were conducted at Marshall and Battle Creek, by the Rev. Joseph H. Johnson, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Detroit. The addresses were admirable in their matter and spirit. Every

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heart must have been touched with the delineations of the priestly character and life. We are greatly indebted to our brother for coming to us and giving us this blessed opportunity.

The Quiet Day might be made a rule in many of our Parishes. We have clergymen who can conduct appropriate services, or brethren could be called in from neighboring Dioceses. The Advent and pre Lent seasons are fitting times. There are other appointments that while they would vary the routine of Parochial life, would reach different classes and impart blessings. I have in mind, the reunion of the confirmed, advised in my last address; the Day of Intercession for Missions which the Church fixed for St. Andrew's Day, but which I fear disuse has unfixed; a Children's Day, of which some Christian people make very much; the Day of Prayer for Schools, Colleges and Theological Seminaries, for which long since I set forth a form of devotions; a Father's and Mother's day.

I notice in the May issue of the Spirit of Missions, that it is proposed to hold a Self-Denial Week for the Woman's Auxiliary, from the Whitsun Ember Day, Wednesday, June 5th, to Wednesday, June 12th. For two years past the Brotherhood of St. Andrew have held such a week, with the fruits of their self denial providing two new workers for Japan and China. It is a grand idea, and for this year but one purpose can be thought of, increasing the united offering. But it suggests to me, that here we might find a way of providing

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for parish sustentation, and more liberal offerings for Diocesan and Church objects. Certainly it would be a great improvement upon the common devices of the former, that to say the least, impair the blessed influence of charity, and injure the reputation of the Church that should be dear to us all.

Referring again to the Semi Annual: These gatherings have the attendance and warm approval of our clergy with slight exception. For some years, the Semi Annual continued through Thursday; and when the change was made, the Morning was retained for a conference of the clergy. This has been regarded as an important feature, as it gives an opportunity for the discussion of what could not be introduced in a miscellaneous congregation, and allows the Bishop private conference with his clergy. Hence I regret the disposition very manifest at Albion to withdraw from this meeting. I refer to leaving merely for convenience of travel. The expenses of the Conference draw very largely on the Trust Fund where every dollar is needed, and this should secure the full benefit of our coming together.

GENERAL MISSIONS.

The offering to our Domestic and Foreign Missions for the year ending September 1, 1894, amounted to $1245.24, slightly less than the previous year. I trust that the Monthly Missionary Meeting with special intercession, and the Missionary Sunday in the Sunday School, are generally observed. The painful deficiency in the receipts of

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the Society, threatening curtailing the work, shows a lukewarmness unworthy of the Church. The clergy owe it to their Ambassadorship for Christ, their sympathy with their brothers laboring in foreign lands and in the distant and difficult fields of our own country, their loyalty and love to the Church; to spare no effort to infuse a missionary spirit into their people. At least they can spread intelligence and bid to prayer. Yet I cannot understand the feeling that in any parish or mission refuses to have the alms basin passed for offerings for Domestic and Foreign Missions. I speak it to the credit of Manistee, terribly burdened with debt, and Traverse City, where shame to the parish, the clerical salary is the Sunday offerings, they did not "look on their own things alone, but also on the things of others." And several feeble parishes are in their gifts in the advance of strong parishes.

SOCIETIES IN THE CHURCH.

The Society for the Increase of the Ministry is our creditor only as it is a necessary adjunct of our Church work. It was our debtor for the year ending September 1, 1894, from three parishes $33.40. The American Church Building Fund Commission has loaned St. Paul's, Grand Rapids $200, and promised Central Lake a gift of $100. I am ashamed to say that it was benefited by us for the year September 1, '94, only $23.01. And that in the fourteen years of its existence we have credit on its books for only $398.80. The payments on the Rockford loan are not included as

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that was our own affair. Our—I like to call him such he is so faithful—missionary to Deaf Mutes receives from our Board $125, and offerings added $20.75. The clergy make bold to ask for Prayer Books and Hymnals from the New York and Philadelphia Societies; and they ask not in vain, although the former has received only $19.98 from parishes, and I fail to find any acknowledgment from the latter. The Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews received Good Friday offerings from 12 parishes, $67.21.

The Woman's Auxiliary under its active president and secretary has kept good its record. Mrs. Austin has visited several parishes and addressed the women to secure organization, with some success. There is no possible reason why every parish and mission should not have some form of organization. Money may be counted out and yet some of the leading purposes of the Auxiliary be realized. Number of parish branches working during the year, 14. Money raised $591.39, boxes $605.95. Total $1197.34.

Young People's Societies having in view spiritual intelligence and feeling, have been organized in several parishes, and their success encourages similar efforts. The St. Andrew's Brotherhood has not the place it deserves. Its best field is in the larger parishes. Sewing Schools, the Girls' Friendly Society, Altar Guilds, Daughters of the King, and other organizations for parochial work, exist in the Diocese.

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THE DIOCESAN SCHOOL.

The year at Akeley has been one of many blessings. No sickness has prevailed, but such as any family is liable to. Harmony and efficiency have marked the corps of instructors. The deportment of the pupils has not been marred by any of those incidents that are liable to come of the indiscretion and temperament of young people. The family life has been made cheerful by amusements that yet have not been allowed to interfere with steadiness and study. Those who are familiar with schools know what all this means. In a school, a quiet and peaceable life is always at risk. Young people away from their homes for the first time, will miss what they like and draw comparisons. A teacher who will please the thoughtful and the thoughtless, the studious and the unstudious, the self controlled and the spoiled at home; must be all things to all, and then trouble will be sure to come. Parents and guardians will know the school from the distance and through letters sometimes written in a huff and a hurry. Outsiders will criticise as insiders. And then, though Cotton Mather did say that "teaching was angels' work," schools are not run by angels. So I account it much that we can record a healthy, peaceful, happy year at Akeley.

And there is yet more to tell. Our school exists for Christian, Church education. Were it not for this, he who addresses you would no more take on the care, the anxiety, these are gentle words for the case, of a school, than he would of a store

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or a factory. And we do realize these features.

The chapel services to which I come as a sweet refreshing, are no staid formal worship to which the girls are compelled by rule, but times when young voices blend in sacred song and young hearts open to blessed words. The Chapel diffuses its influence through the school. There I have confirmed 2, making in all thirty who as pupils have in the time of the school renewed their vows. The gift of vessels for the altar in memory of a companion, and the gatherings from their pocket money, attest the loving hearts and generous spirit.

In the matter of finances by the aid of friends within and more without the Diocese, I have secured the means to pay the year's interest on the bonds. The Confirmees Fund has yielded $140.75, and has aided two pupils. The liberality of two friends who remember the Diocese, though their home is no longer here, has placed in my hands $170, to enable me to do what rejoices my heart, bring to us some worthy pupil who else could not come. Also $212 was contributed for furnishing rooms. The gas stock which constitutes Miss R. L. Richmond's noble endowment for Lectureships, has been sold, the old company transferring to a new, yielding $3900. Aside from the bonds there is an indebtedness by loans of $3593.59, and a floating indebtedness of about $1081.98.

With an attendance of 26 boarders before Christmas and 30 since, there will yet be a deficiency

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of income amounting to $510.70. Painful as this recurrence of deficit is, with the present charges it is inevitable. To secure patronage, the corps of instructors must be full and able, the accommodations and the table such as a good home affords, and there will be annual insurance and repairs, not to mention interest on bonds. No increase of pupils to be reasonably expected would meet the necessity. There must be an income from without the school, and this must come from the Diocese. Friends without have been very thoughtful and generous, but such aid will naturally decline.

PENAL AND PAUPER INSTITUTIONS.

I have taken Sundays for the School for Deaf Mutes, the Michigan State Prison, and Thanksgiving Day for the School for the Blind and the Industrial Home for Boys. To this has been added the visitation of State Institutions 13 times, of Jails 9, Poor Houses 10, attendance at the Annual Conference and Convention of the Board of Corrections and Charities, the Annual Convention of the Superintendents of the Poor and 7 meetings of the Board.

LEGISLATION.

The commission to harmonize and revise the constitutions and canons, originally appointed in 1892, having failed to discharge the duty and been discharged by the convention; it appeared to me important that the design of the convention should be carried out. Accordingly in September, '94, I appointed a commission, consisting of three clergy-

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men and three laymen. The work has been carried out with great care, and the result is now before you for your acceptance and consideration.

I proceed with the proposed review.

THE FORMATION AND ORGANIZATION OF THE DIOCESE.

The first move towards organization was in June 1871, when a committee on division was appointed to report to the next Convention. The committee reported that "after taking some action in the matter, they were agreed in the propriety of discontinuing further action, in deference to the wishes of the Bishop of the Diocese, that he might have an opportunity of bringing the matter before the next Convention in his annual address." Accordingly, Bishop McCoskry presented the matter in his address, June, 1872. A committee thereupon appointed, suggested issuing such a circular of information as would enable the parishes to form an intelligent judgment. To the XXXIX Annual Convention assembled at Marshall, in June 1873, they reported that they had furnished every parish with the information desired in a pamphlet submitted. It was then resolved "that in the view of this Convention the time has come when it is expedient, necessary and desirable to divide the Diocese." The vote, taken by orders stood, clerical 39 aye, and 16 nay; lay 53 aye, and 17 nay. In the subsequent Convention, in Grand Rapids, June 10, 1874 the line of division was fixed. At the session of the general Convention, October, A. D., 1874, consent was given to the formation

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of the proposed new Diocese within the Diocese of Michigan. On December 2, A. D., 1874, the Primary Convention of the new Diocese was held in Grand Rapids, the name Western Michigan adopted, and at the evening session the Bishop was elected.

In our review of Diocesan life, I refer first to the least prosperous features.

THE CLERICAL STRENGTH.

Our clerical band has scarcely increased. Today the number of effective workers is only two in advance of what it was in the first convention. In explanation, we have gained little by candidates in the Diocese; in all 12 have reached ordination, of these 5 have been previously transferred. Considerations of health and ties formed while at distant Seminaries, have interfered with the Bishop's right to retain the Deacon. Meagre support has been a more potential cause. An extensive missionary field has prevented largely supplementing the slender local support. The clergy have been as settled as in most Dioceses. There have been on our list 140 names and severing their conection the clergy have generally given gratifying and continued evidence of kindly feeling toward the Bishop and the Diocese.

MISSIONARY ADVANCEMENT.

While the fact just mentioned would indicate little planting the Church on new ground, it is nevertheless true it is spread over our territory to a much greater extent; I can count 14 places

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where the Church has taken root. Yet I must admit that weak parishes and missions have not put on strength as we might have expected. Our territory is not of rapid growth in population. The increase since 1884 has been little more than 50,000, and that mainly in cities. For the past ten years, the lumbering district, where our mission work has chiefly been, has been decreasing in substantial men and means. With few exceptions, the Church claims all towns having over 2,000 inhabitants.

CHURCH BUILDINGS.

We may turn now to the better signs of our Diocesan life. Very much has been accomplished on material lines; 30 churches have been built, 12 rectories, and 5 Guild Houses and rooms. Most of the original 14 churches have been improved. For a young Diocese, in this regard we are well appointed. With three exceptions, these Houses of God are free from burdensome debt, 19 churches have been consecrated.

PAROCHIAL STRENGTH.

There has been a marked increase of strength in the older parishes, noted by size of congregation, number of communicants, confirmation classes, charitable associations, liberality at home, and to some extent abroad. The feeble flock has come to respect itself and to have a name in the community and in the Diocese. I could instance cases where the young mission has rapidly assumed rank and even outstripped parishes of

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age. We have in all 25 parishes, 18 self supporting; 21 organized missions and 5 unorganized.

ORGANIZATION.

We may take some pride in the management of the business of the Diocese. Very much is owing to the capacity and diligence of the laymen who have filled the offices of Treasurer of the Diocese, Treasurer for Diocesan Missions, and Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan. Their good business judgment has secured the funds in times of pecuniary difficulty and anxiety. The various Boards that pertain to Diocesan affairs have been filled with well qualified clergymen and laymen. The Semi-Annual Diocesan Conference, the Convocation System, the Quiet Days, have proved a bond of union among the clergy, a means of edification to them and to the congregations. The system of local secretaries for charities, while not worked to its full extent, has helped to keep us in touch with the Church at large. The Woman's Auxiliary has gathered in workers, and imported the missionary spirit. In the period it has collected in cash $6,229.17, and the boxes sent out have valued $7,377.13.

THE CHURCH HELPER, under its former and prcsent editor, has been true to its title. With a circulation far below what it should be, it has energized all our agencies and made the Diocese true to "doing all things decently and in order." The Easter financial report has brought the parishes to time in keeping their accounts. The

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Conventions have been characterized by order and harmony.

EPISCOPAL ACTS.

Ordination to the Diaconate, 8; to the Priesthood, 9; Clergy deceased, 13; deposed, 5; corner stones laid, 20; churches consecrated, 19; confirmees, 5,465.

BAPTISMS, COMMUNICANTS.

Baptisms, adults, 2,613; infant, 5,946; communicants, 4,832; increase, 2,206.

MARRIAGES AND BURIALS.

Marriages, 2,428. Burials, 4,111.

THE FUNDS.

Happily, the Diocese started under a strict construction of the Constitution that there must be "satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese." Article V. The application to the General Convention was made with the statement that "cash and note subscriptions had been obtained to the amount of $34,545.00." This sum was subsequently reduced by failure to collect. To the Seventh Annual Convention, 1881, the treasurer reported, "Worthless and doubtful notes charged to suspense account," $12,018.34, leaving the fund $21,777.31, with an income of $1,671.47. The fund has now risen, including the Episcopal residence, to $35,276.75, with an estimated income of $2,100. Many a Diocese of far more years would envy such a possession.

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The Christmas fund, established by offerings, and increased by a grant from the Diocese of Michigan of $1,500 in 1875, has grown to $4,378.54, and has aided all entitled to its benefits.

The permanent Missionary fund, commenced in 1876 by a dying bequest of $500, has grown to $7,051.84.

The Rectory buildng fund, established in 1885, has continued at the original amount, $1,400.

The existence of these funds promises their increase, especially if the clergy bring them to the notice of the people.

The Diocese may well remember with gratitude the gift of Mr. George Kendall, made in its first year. The lot secured the erection of the Episcopal residence, into which I moved, October, 1881. What a rectory is to a parish, an Episcopal residence is to a Diocese—it is an abiding place, it is a spot around which time gathers pleasant and profitable associations; and this home is "beautiful in situation," and all that could be asked for as "an house made with hands."

Other statistics are: —

Offerings for Diocesan Missions, $38,010.11.
For other Diocesan objects, $87,833.16.
For objects exterior to the Diocese, $36,170.83.
Parochial disbursements, $1,124,107.27.
Value of Church property, $477,420.00.

The Diocesan library, mainly books belonging to deceased clergymen of the Diocese, numbers 2,500 volumes.

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THE OUTLOOK OF THE DIOCESE.

The length of this address precludes more than slight reference to the future. The Diocese has passed through the formative period. Whether or not it was wise to make the division at the time it was done, today it has a strength that warrants its existence. It is difficult to make comparisons, but there are certainly several smaller Dioceses. Foundations are now laid, sustentation for all positions and movements is provided, self respect and hopefulness are warranted.

I may be allowed to state what seems to me the great interests to be sought:

1. The missionary resources should be increased. Church extension demands that men of rare gifts should be placed where size of place, tone of society, and the status of existing organized religion require the best showing. And for this, the stipend must be increased to the salary. A population where large centres are the exception will keep the missionary field large and dependent. The generous grant of our Domestic Board is uncertain, and has the peril of its long continuance.

2. While I have felt that the assessments should not be matter of complaint,—the assessment for '94-'95 was 38 cents to a communicant—it is certainly desirable that the Episcopal Fund should be increased. The present constituency of the Diocese is not largely represented in the original and subsequent subscription. There is thus the opportunity for appeal which should have attention from the abler members of the Diocese.

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Probably the chief reliance must be on so keeping the subject before the congregation as to lead to bequests.

3. I can scarcely too strongly commend the Diocesan School to the care, even the anxiety of the Diocese. Pardon a personal reference. From the day the tidings reached us of the munificent gift of Mr. and Mrs. Akeley, the school has been the close companion of my life. I should be untrue to my convictions that "the good hand of God has been upon us" in these eight years; shamefully ungrateful to those who within, and especially without the Diocese, have been liberal contributors; and strangely unmindful of scenes and incidents, that have cheered my heart, were I to dwell only on the burden of this companionship. Yet Akeley is associated with the fiercest anxieties of my Episcopate. Those who have known what it is to see imperative demands approaching and looking in vain on the right hand and on the left, will appreciate my meaning. From what I have learned of schools, we have only repeated the common experience. With rare exceptions, the establishment of the Church school has been a struggle, and no one has felt it more than the Bishop.

Akeley must be sustained. It is the grand interest of the Diocese. The day of anxiety is now; upon us is laid this burden. We must toil and endure that the day of trial may be ended. No greater joy could come to me in my last days, than to see Akeley Institute in the quiet

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and peaceable life of having the necessary income, and to leave the Diocese and the Diocesan free from constant anxieties in its behalf. And "though God make it not to grow," I have confidence entire in His past mercies that the brighter day will dawn, when the needs and anxieties for the Diocesan school shall no longer be the dirge of the Bishop's address.

LAST WORDS.

While I thus dwell on what seems to me our great interests, I would scarcely dare to close this review and outlook, without putting on record for myself and for you, our solemn conviction of the transcendent importance of the spiritual realities of Diocesan welfare. In a "holy Priesthood, a peculiar people, shining as lights in the world," is realized the Church's destiny. In the messages to the seven churches we read the ideal of the true parish and diocese. There He who walketh "in the midst of the seven candlesticks," unfolds for us what he demands in his Church, to win his favor, to receive his gifts, to "see of the travail of his soul and be satisfied. There He warns us of the substitution of, "I am rich and increased with goods, and have need of nothing," of any temporal satisfaction or prominence or success, "for keeping his word and not denying His name." It is the danger of our times, it is the deeper danger of our nature, to be content with and aim after facts and figures, that are good for temporal, material showing, and help comparison with other's work and success. Rather should we seek for

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what "He who seeth in secret will reward openly." Let it be the ideal of all our work, the constant prayer of our best mind and heart, the study in all our plans and purposes, that our diocese may be "approved unto God," that it may receive from Him, "well done good and faithful servant."

So our tale is told. In no exultant tone, breathing more our satisfaction than his glory, can we say, "what hath God wrought;" but this we know and I trust feel, that if out of weakness hath been made strength, "if the day of small things," with its fear and trembling, has at all passed away; that the praise is due to Him who worketh in us and with us, "both to will and to do of his good pleasure."

And now, my brethren of the Clergy and Laity, let us apply ourselves afresh to improve our opportunities, to meet our responsibilities, to bear our trials; commencing with the work of this convention.

One by one the Master will call in his laborers, soon the field will have its new toilers. They "who bore the burden and heat of the day" will be forgotten. The living crowd out the dead. Mankind can only take in the present generation Those who seek the praise of men must be content with what the living men and women around them may utter and think. But our "work will follow us." Those who take our places will "enter into labors—little heed whether they recognize them as ours or not. "For the Son of Man shall

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come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then He shall reward every man according to his works."

JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

The Episcopal visits and visitations are so generally attended with the Bishop's preaching, administering the Holy Communion, and addressing the children, that it is not necessary to mention in every instance.

1894.

June 5–7, Tuesday, Thursday, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's. The Convention. 23 Clergymen and 30 Lay Delegates were present, the latter representing 12 Parishes and 4 Missions. The most important action of the Convention was in connection with Art. IX of the Constitution, "Of the Election of a Bishop." The final action, allowing the one or two delegates present from a parish to cast three votes, is a departure from the uniform practice of the Church, and introduces a feature that, probably, is not known to any other Diocese. The rights of the Clerical Order are thus set aside, as the Lay vote may very largely exceed the Clerical. The protection is that the Orders must concur. I believe that with further consideration the Convention will see the error of its action, which, I have been

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informed, was not understood by some of those voting in its favor.

The leaving of delegates before the close of the Convention allows some of the most important action to be taken by a minority, and makes what should be quiet and orderly a scene of hurry and confusion. Parishes should insist on their delegates remaining, and the Clergy owe it to their office and courtesy to their Bishop not to ask to be excused, unless for imperative reasons.

June 10, Third Sunday after Trinity, Muskegon, S. Paul's, A. M. Confirmed 9. P. M., S. Luke's Mission, confirmed 4.

June 13, Wednesday evening, Battle Creek, S. Thomas'. Confirmed 17, and in private, 2. This was the beginning of a series of services in commemoration of the semi-annual of the parish.

June 14, Monday, in private confirmed 2.

June 17, Fourth Sunday after Trinity, Grand Haven, S. John's. Delivered the graduation sermon, and in the evening preached in the chapel of Akeley Institute.

June 20, Wednesday. *Commencement*—The address by the Rev. Lewis Brown was a brilliant enforcement of the dignity of woman. Six young ladies graduated. The presence of friends of the school, which, I trust, will be more and more a feature of the occasion, added to the interest and satisfaction. The furnishing of eight rooms was promised. Evening, Holland, Grace. Confirmed 2.

June 24, Fifth Sunday after Trinity, Sturgis, S. James' Mission. Confirmed 5. Evening, preached.

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June 28. Left for my summer vacation at Charlevoix, returning August 31.

July 8–15–22–29, August 12–19–26, the 7th, 8th 9th, 10th, 12th, 13th and 14th Sundays after Trinity, Charlevoix. Officiated and took part in the services. Rev. William Short and Rev. Lewis Brown assisted me, preaching on two occasions.

August 5th, Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, Petoskey, Emmanuel Mission. Ordered Priest Ernest Willoughby Jewell; the sermon was preached by the Rev. W. E. Wright, who presented the candidate and united with the Rev. William Elmer and the Rev. W. W. Taylor in the laying on of hands.

July 30, Monday P. M., Charlevoix. Laid the Corner Stone of Christ Church. The list of deposits was read by the warden, Major E. H. Green. After a brief history of the mission, and practical hints—especially to avoid debts—by the Bishop, addresses were delivered by the Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Rev. A. E. Wells, Rev. Willliam Short.

August 13. Had the pleasure of receiving, at my cottage, the teachers and scholars of the Sunday school of Christ Mission.

August 27, Monday evening, East Jordan. Confirmed 5. The church is being gradually completed.

September 2, Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's. Administered the Holy Communion.

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September 9, Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, Coldwater, S. Mark's. 11, Tuesday. Administered Infant Baptism in private. Officiated and met the Vestry.

September 12, Wednesday, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's. Confirmed 1. S. Paul's, solemnized holy matrimony, Mrs. Bertha Mehennick to the Rev. A. Mead Burgess.

September 16, Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, Grand Rapids, S. Paul's. Officiated in the vacant parish.

September 23, Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, Schoolcraft, S. Stephen's. Confirmed 2. The male communicant is yet needed for organization.

September 30th, Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, Grand Rapids, S. Matthews'. Officiated.

October 9, Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, Flint, School for the Deaf—kindly received as ever, spent a pleasant Sunday with these interesting children.

October 12, Friday, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's, took part in a service of intercession for missions.

October 14, Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity, my annual service in Michigan State Prison.

October 15, Monday, Paw Paw, visited the church and was grieved to find its condition. When I think of the faithful work of Barker and Schetky, I am amazed at the indifference of the people. The least they could do would be to keep the church clean and in repair, ready

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for the occasional services the general missionary gives them.

October 21, Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity, Grace, Grand Rapids, the day of intercession for Sunday Schools—a. m., preached; p. m., addressed the children. The day should be observed.

October 22, Monday, services were held morning and evening that would have benefited teachers and parents had they attended. It must be ruled that it is impossible to bring together the church people in Grand Rapids. The disposition is wanting. The church suffers from this parochialism. The Bishop has made every effort and the Rectors of S. Mark's and Grace have co-operated with him.

October 23, Tuesday, Charlevoix, Christ Mission, confirmed 7; prepared by the missionary at Petoskey.

October 28, Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, Allegan, Good Shepherd, officiated, and met the Vestry in reference to the Rectorship.

November 1, All Saints' Day, Akeley Institute, preached.

November 4, Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity, Whitehall, Redeemer, officiated with the general missionary. The church has been papered and lamps put in, making it much brighter.

November 10, Saturday, I was glad to meet socially at the Episcopal residence, with their excellent Pastor, the deaf mutes of the city.

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November 11, Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity, Grand Rapids, Trinity, preached; it being the close of the fifth year of the Rectorship; p. m., officiated in the chapel of Kent County Home.

November 18, Twenty-sixth Sunday after Trinity, Rockford, S. James', officiated with the Lay Reader. The Church awaits consecration when some repairs are made.

November 20–22, Tuesday-Thursday, Hastings. The semi-annual missionary and diocesan Church Conference; 19 clergymen present. The sermon ad clerum by the Rev. W. H. Osborne of Lansing.

November 29, Thanksgiving, Lansing; spent the day at the School for the Blind and the Industrial Home for Boys.

November 30, S. Andrew's day, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's, presided at a meeting addressed by Bishop Penick.

December 2, Advent Sunday, Kalamazoo, S. Luke's, dedicated the Parish house, and after confirmed 16. It is very gratifying to the diocese to have a parish so complete in its appointments.

December 9, Second Sunday in Advent, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's, the sermon was by the Rev. H. J. Cook, for ten years the Rector of S. Mark's, Coldwater, to whom the Bishop and the Diocese are deeply indebted for his uniform loyalty and his generous services. Evening, in Congregational Church, Grand Rapids, a memo-

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rial service for Hon. Dwight Gilbert, a highly respected citizen—offered the prayer.

December 23, Fourth Sunday in Advent, Charlotte, Grace church, officiated with the late minister. I was assured that the Sunday School would be sustained, and that with improvement in business the salary will again be pledged.

December 25, Christmas Day, Grand Haven, a. m., S. John's, preached.

December 30, Sunday after Christmas, Marshall, Trinity, evening, preached.

1895.

January 6, Epiphany, Grand Rapids, S. John's, officiated, assisted by the Rev. A. Reeves, M. D.

January 13, First Sunday after Epiphany, Grand Ledge, confirmed 4. The opening for the Church here is remarkable. Some of the leading citizens are interested.

January 20, Second Sunday after Epiphany, Grand Haven, S. John's, a. m., assisted in the services. Evening, Akeley Institute, preached.

January 27, Third Sunday after Epiphany, Muskegon, S. Paul's, evening, preached.

February 3, Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, Grand Rapids, S. Matthew's, officiated.

February 10, Septuagesima, Hastings, Emmanuel, a. m., preached.

February 17, Sexagesima, Pentwater, S. James' Mission, confirmed 6. The mission has acquired by purchase a house and lot next the church.

February 21–22, Thursday–Friday, Marshall, Trinity, Battle Creek, Friday, the quiet days for

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the clergy and for women, conducted by the Rev. Joseph H. Johnson, D. D.

February 24, Quinquagesima and St. Matthias, Grand Rapids, S. John's, a. m., preached. This day was the 20th anniversary of my consecration.

February 27, Ash Wednesday, Akeley Institute, conducted the exercises of a Quiet Day with an instruction and a sermon.

February 28, Thursday, Grand Rapids, the Children's Home, baptized 10 children, with consent of parents and guardians. This Charity sustained by the citizens generally is under the charge of a church lady.

March 3, First Sunday in Lent, Traverse City, Grace, confirmed 6; the Minister receives only the offerings. This not only makes the support very limited, but shuts out all offerings for other objects. The parish wants working men and women.

March 5, Tuesday evening, Grand Rapids, S. Paul, confirmed 1; lately a Minister of the Christian Denomination seeking orders in the church.

March 8, Friday, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's, lectured.

March 10, Second Sunday in Lent, Grand Haven, S. John's, confirmed 14; Akeley, confirmed 5. In all 30 pupils have been confirmed since the school was opened, this indicating its claim as a church school.

March 17, Third Sunday in Lent, Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity, confirmed 9. The Mission appreciates the services and sacrifices of their Minister,

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and there is a tone of encouragement and gradual growth. They should acquire adjoining property for a future church.

March 20, Wednesday, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's, lectured.

March 24, Fourth Sunday in Lent, Mt. Pleasant, S. John's Mission, confirmed 3, and in private 2. The people are very much behind on the salary, and they do not appreciate the wrong to their Minister and the damage to their reputation.

March 31, Fifth Sunday in Lent, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's, a. m., preached and Confirmed 17; evening, Grace, preached and confirmed 14. Previous to the services, addressed the Young People's Association.

April 2, Tuesday evening, Allegan, Good Shepherd, officiated.

April 5, Friday, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's, evening, presided at a meeting addressed by the Bishop of Olympia, in the interest of his jurisdiction. A Missionary Bishop is ever a welcome visitor to the Diocese and if Bishop Barker added little to his funds, he certainly added to our missionary intelligence and interest.

April 7, Sunday before Easter, Albion, S. James, a. m., preached, confirmed 8; and evening, Homer, Christ, preached.

April 8, Monday before Easter, administered the Holy Communion; evening, Schoolcraft, preached. A Sunday School has been organized. The Rev. A. Wetherbee, of the Diocese of Michigan, is officiating in the Mission.

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April 10, Wednesday before Easter, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's, preached.

April 11, Thursday before Easter, Greenville, S. Paul's Mission, confirmed 14, prepared by the Rector of Ionia. While the week-day services of Rev. Dr. Thomas are very acceptable, the mission requires Sunday services, and constant pastoral oversight.

April 12, Good Friday, S. John's, Ionia, confirmed 30.

April 14, Easter Day, Marshall, Trinity, A. M. Confirmed 18. Evening, Battle Creek, S. Thomas'. Confirmed 25.

April 21, First Sunday after Easter, Kalamazoo, S. Luke's. Confirmed 31. Evening, briefly addressed the congregation on Family Prayer. In most of my visitations, have brought this sadly neglected duty to the attention of the people.

April 23–25, Tuesday, Thursday, Albion, S. James'. The Semi-Annual Missionary Service and Diocesan Church Conference. 18 clergymen present. The ad clerum by the Rev. S. Roosevelt, of Owosso; this was the first time the meeting had been held here, and the result showed the wisdom of appointment in the smaller parishes.

April 28, Second Sunday after Easter, Niles, Trinity, A. M. Confirmed 31. P. M., Baptized an infant. Evening, preached.

May 5, Third Sunday after Easter, Coldwater, S. Mark's, A. M., preached. P. M., Quincy, S. John's Mission, preached.

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May 12, Fourth Sunday after Easter, Grand Rapids, Grace, A. M., preached. Evening, S. Paul's, confirmed 6.

May 15, Wednesday, Grand Rapids, Grace. Evening. Confirmed 2.

May 16, Thursday, S. Paul's. Evening. The opening of the Guild room.

May 19, Fifth Sunday after Easter, Manistee, Holy Trinity. A. M., Confirmed 38. Evening, preached. The parish bears manfully its heavy burden of debt. P. M., met the members of S. Michael and All Angels' Mission; and, after services by their late missionary, addressed them, advising their connection with the parish. Rev. Dr. Oppen has conducted services since February 11, 1894, about thirteen families being interested. As I feared when the work commenced, his support has been entirely inadequate, and he is now compelled to resign and seek secular employment temporarily.

May 20, Monday, Rogation Day. Elk Rapids, S. Paul's. Evening. Confirmed 9. The shutting down of the furnace deprives the parish of useful members and diminishes support. Early on the morning following the visitation, the church took fire, but, providentially discovered, the damage was slight.

May 21, Tuesday evening, Central Lake, S. Matthias' Mission. Confirmed 3. The services were held in the unfinished church; when completed it will be comfortable and churchly, with

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a room that will accommodate the missionary on his visits.

May 23. Ascension Day, Hastings, Emmanuel. Confirmed 20.

May 26, Sunday after Ascension Day, Muskegon, S. Paul's, A. M. Confirmed 3. P. M., S. Luke's Chapel. Confirmed 1.

June 2, Whitsunday, Grand Rapids, S. John's. Confirmed 7.

SUNDRY MEETINGS.

During the year I have attended sundry meetings as follows:

DIOCESAN BOARDS.

Board of Missions.—June 7, September 11, November 21, 1894; April 24, June 4, 1895.—5.

Trustees of the Association of the Diocese.—June 7, October 1, 1894; June 4, 1895.—3.

Parishes and Vestries.—June 11, 1894, S. John's Mission, Grand Rapids; June 21, ditto; June 24, 1894, S. James' Mission, Sturgis; September 9, S. Mark's, Coldwater; October 28, Good Shepherd, Allegan.—5.

Clergy of Grand Rapids.—October 5, November 2, December 7, 1894; March 7, May 30, 1895.—5.

AKELEY INSTITUTE TRUSTEES AND VISITS.

June 11, 1894, Executive Committee; 17, visit with service; 19, Executive Committee and Trustees; 20, Commencement; September 21, visit; October 10, Executive Committee; November 1, All Saints' Day, visit with service; November 2, Trustees; December 25, a visit; January 20,

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visit with service; February 27, Ash Wednesday, visit with services; March 10, visitation and confirmation; January 23, Board of Trustees.—13.

Butterworth Hospital.—Services: October 4, November 2, December 28, March 29, April 26, May 24.—6.

Examination of Candidates.—June 21–22, 1894, a candidate for Priest's orders; January 15, 1895, a candidate for Deacon's orders only.—2.

Commission to Revise Constitution and Canons.—October 9, 1894; January 24, March 27, 1895.—3.

Miscellaneous.—Woman's Auxiliary S. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, March 14, 1895; November 12, 1894, Y. M. C. A. Ministers' meeting.—2.

Board of Corrections and Charities.—See address Penal and Pauper Institutions. September 10, 1894, State School; 13, Michigan Asylum; 14, State School and Industrial Home for Girls; 20, House of Correction and Asylum for Dangerous and Criminal Insane; 25, Northern Asylum; 27, Michgan State Prison; 26–27, Meetings of the Board, Lansing; October 7, Sunday school for the Deaf, with services; 14, Sunday, Michigan State Prison, with services; 25–26, Convention of Superintendents of the Poor, Charlevoix; November 8, Meeting of the Board, Lansing; 29, Thanksgiving, Industrial Home for Boys, School for the Blind; December 4–5, Convention of Board of Charities, Adrian; March 19, 1895, Flint, School for the Deaf, Legislature Committee, Meeting of

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the Board, Lansing; April 18, Meeting of the Board, Lansing; May 6, State School.—17.

Poor Houses visited, 10. Jails, 9.

SERVICES OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

December 14, 1894. Owosso, Christ Church, deposed Joseph St. John, at the request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of Michigan; 15, attended the examination of Edward H. Earle, of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan; 16, Third Sunday in Advent, ordered Edward H. Earle, Priest; evening, in Christ Church, confirmed 2.

January 4, 1895. Participated in the funeral services for the Rt. Rev. D. B. Knickerbacker, D. D., at Indianapolis, Indiana.

SUMMARY.

Baptized infants, 12; adults, 0	12
Married	1
Buried	
Preached	81
Addresses delivered, not including confirmation	18
Children's services and addresses	19
Celebrated the Holy Communion, 33; in private, 1	34
Confirmed in 16 Parishes, 12 Missions, and 1 other place	397
Meetings and Conferences	59
Organized Parishes visited, 20; Missions, 17; other places, 1; visited once, 22; twice, 7; three times, 4; four times, 1; five times, 2; six times, 6; eleven times, 1. Total number of Visitations.	73
Clergymen received	5
Clergymen transferred	1
Clergymen in the Diocese changing Parishes and resigning Parishes	5
Services participated in	141
Visits to Schools and Colleges	11
To State Institutions, 12; Institutions at home and ab oad, 1	13

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To Jails, 9, and Poor Houses, 10..... 19
Visits and services outside the Diocese..... 4

GEORGE D. GILLESPIE,
Bishop of Western Michigan.

LAY READERS.

Holding license till Easter, 1896:

Charles A. Stevenson, Grace, Holland, January 30, 1889.

Henry D. Chambers, Grace, Grand Rapids, November 2, 1892.

George Willard, S. Thomas', Battle Creek, April 24, 1894.

John E. Nelson, S. Thomas', Battle Creek, April 24, 1894.

Cyrus Mendenhall, S. John's, Ionia, March 5, 1895.

Ralph K. Johnson, Grace, Ludington, March 5, 1895.

Charles H. Vincent, S. Paul's, Grand Rapids, March 1, 1895.

C. Elmer Jameson, the Diocese of New Jersey, October 19, 1895.

Henry I. Purdue, Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, March 5, 1895.

Horatio B. Lewis, S. Paul's, Elk Rapids, May 25, 1892.

J. E. Nash, S. Beda's Mission, Grand Rapids, September 9, 1893.

N. D. Beedon, Christ, Homer, March 18, 1891.

Alfred Bullock, S. Luke's, Muskegon, February 14, 1894.

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Marsden C. Burch, S. Matthew's, Grand Rapids February 22, 1894.

POSTULANTS.

Chilton Rupert Stearns, S. John's Church, Ionia, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, February 22, 1892.

Charles Sylvester Worden, Emmanuel Church Petoskey, Hobart College, October 13, 1894.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Carl Reed Taylor, Candidate for Priest's Orders, S. John's Church, Ionia, Seabury Hall, Faribault, Minnesota, June 7, 1893.

Henry D. Chambers, Candidate for Deacon's Orders only, S. Mark's, Grand Rapids, studying under Rev. J. B. Hubbs, June 6, 1894.

Herbert Stanley Knill, Candidate for Deacon's Orders only, Howe Grammar School, Lima, Indiana, April 23, 1895.

Cyrus Mendenhall, Candidate for Priest's Orders, S. John's Church, Ionia, studying under Rev. W. H. Thomas, D. D., April 23, 1895.

DEACON, CANDIDATE FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

Rev. Thomas Hall Henley, Albion, June 8, 1892.

ORDAINED.

August 5, Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, in Emmanuel Church, Petoskey, ordered priest, Rev. Ernest Willoughby Jewell. Presented by the Rev. W. E. Wright.

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LETTERS DIMISSORY GRANTED.

(The date given is that of the acceptance by the Ecclesiastical Authority to whom transmitted.)

November 24, 1894. The Rev. A. Mead Burgess to the Ecclesiastical Authority of Chicago. Resigned the charge of S. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids, July 1, 1894.

LETTERS DIMISSORY ACCEPTED.

August 14, 1894. The Rev. Sidney Beckwith, from the Ecclesiastical Authority of Michigan. Entered on his duties as Rector of Trinity Church, Marshall, July 1, 1894.

October 11, 1894. The Rev. Edward M. Duff, from the Ecclesiastical Authority of Michigan. Entered on his duties as Rector of S. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids, November 1, 1894.

October 21, 1894. The Rev. Karl G. Oppen, from the Ecclesiastical Authority of Milwaukee. Entered on the charge of missionary work among the Swedes, at Manistee, February 11, 1894.

March 26, 1895. The Rev. Henry Sowerby, from the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Shanghai, China. Entered on his duties as Rector of S. Mark's Church, Coldwater, January 6, 1865.

June 4, 1895. The Rev. William Lucas, from the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of the Platte. Entered on his duties as Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan, May 19, 1895.

CHANGES IN THE DIOCESE.

July 2, 1894. The Rev. Henry Hughes resigned the Rectorship of S. Mark's Church, Coldwater.

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May 31, 1894. The Rev. Thomas H. Henley, Deacon, closed his services in S. Paul's Mission, Greenville, and was appointed July 2, 1894, to the charge of S. James', Albion, and, July 9, 1894, to Christ Church, Homer.

August 31, 1894. The Rev. Henry Hughes resigned the charge of S. John's Mission, Quincy.

September 2, 1894. The Rev. Woodford P. Law resigned the Rectorship of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan, and entered on his duties as General Missionary.

September 1, 1894. The Rev. Charles W. Ivie resigned as General Missionary.

December 1, 1894. The Rev. M. H. Martin resigned the charge of Grace Mission, Charlotte, and is now supplying Grace, Holland, and other points near Grand Rapids.

April 14, 1895. Rev. Karl G. Oppen resigned the charge of the Mission of S. Michael and All Angels', Manistee.

LAYING OF A CORNER STONE.

July 30, 1894. Monday. Laid the corner stone for Christ Church, Charlevoix.

OPENING OF A GUILD ROOM AND A PARISH HOUSE.

December 2, 1894. Advent Sunday, Kalamazoo, S. Luke's Parish. Dedication of the Parish House.

May 16. Thursday. Grand Rapids, S. Paul's. Dedication of the Guild Room.

MISSION ORGANIZED.

January 6, 1895. S. Michael and All Angels, Manistee.

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PASTORALS ISSUED.

November, 1894. The Outlook of the Year.

February, 1895. To Children—the Lenten Offering.

July, 1894. A Prayer—the Labor Troubles.

FUNDS RECEIVED.

For Akeley Institute :

Christ Church, Philadelphia, S. S.	$ 26 09
C. R. Wilkes, Allegan, Coupon	30 00
Mt. Calvary, Baltimore, Md	25 00
Rt. Rev. D. S. Tuttle, D. D.	30 00
Mr. A. S. Pratt, Washington, D. C.	10 00
Miss R. L. Richmond, Grand Rapids, paid for improvement of grounds	100 00
Mr. Henry Brees, Kalamazoo, Coupon	75 00
Miss Annie Beeson, Niles	50 00
Mr. F. C. Miller, Grand Rapids	5 00
Miss L. R. Richmond, Grand Rapids	90 00
James M. Parsons, Marshall	10 00
A lady outside the Diocese, for a scholarship	150 00
" " " " "	20 00
Miss Grace McDonald, Charlotte	1 00
Mrs. A. B. Taylor, Saugatuck	2 50
Confirmee's fund	58 25

For the Bishop's Trust Fund :

Mrs. E. H. Van Deusen	$ 10 00
S. Luke's, Kalamazoo, per Woman Auxiliary	10 00
S. Mark's, Grand Rapids " "	18 00
Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan, per Woman's Auxil'y	7 50

Miscellaneous :

M. H. Mallory & Co., for Diocesan Missions	$ 2 00
Rt. Rev. D. S. Tuttle. D. D., " "	22 01
From Old Mission, for Rev. A. W. Mann	5 00

APPROPRIATION OF THE GRANT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary	$ 400 00
Rev. W. P. Law, " "	400 00

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Rev. M. H. Martin, Charlotte	100 00
Rev. E. W. Jewell, Petoskey	100 00
Rev. J. N. Rippey, Central Lake and East Jordan	200 00
Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Benton Harbor	100 00

NOTICES OF CLERGY DEPOSED.

May 4, 1894. Rev. Quincy Ewing, by the Bishop of Louisiana, "at his own request, and for causes not affecting his moral character."

June 4, 1894. Rev. S. Gregory Lines, by the Bishop of New York, "he having renounced the same."

July 3, 1894. Edward Albert Cole, Deacon, by the Bishop of Fond du Lac.

July 17, 1894. Charles H. Lemon, M. D., by the Bishop of Milwaukee, "having declared his renunciation of the Sacred Ministry of the Church.

August 13, 1894. Paul Caryl Zotom, Deacon, by the Bishop of Oklahoma, "he having declared his renunciation of the Sacred Ministry."

October 19, 1893. Rev. John Calvin Gallaudet, by the Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho.

August 10, 1894. Rev. J. Nelson Jones, by the Bishop of Southern Ohio.

December 14, 1894. Joseph St. John, by the Bishop of Western Michigan, acting for the Bishop of Michigan, "having declared his renunciation of the Sacred Ministry of the Church."

December 26, 1894. Robert Afton Holland, Jr., Deacon, by the Bishop of Massachusetts; "such renunciation was not occasioned by foregoing misconduct or irregularity, but was voluntary and

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for causes assigned and known, which do not affect his moral character."

February 7, 1894. Rev. Dwight Benton, Jr., Deacon, by the Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio.

February 18, 1895. Rev. David Vaughan Guilym, by the Bishop of New York, "acting for and by request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of Long Island," "he having declared his renunciation of the Ministry."

April 14, 1895. Bonventura de Souza Oliveria, Deacon, by the Bishop of West Virginia and in charge of the Mission in Brazil, "he having declared his renunciation of the Sacred Ministry."

April 26, 1895. Rev. Wm. A. Newbold, by the Bishop of New York, "he having declared his renunciation of the Ministry."

CANDIDATES DROPPED.

July 12, 1894. George A. Hazlehurst, Postulant, Diocese of Delaware, withdrew his application to be recommended as a candidate for Holy Orders.

May 28, 1894. Arthur Gore, candidate for Deacon's Orders, Diocese of California, "name removed at his request, and for causes not affecting his moral character."

August 1, 1894. E. B. N. Harraden, candidate for Orders, Diocese of Albany, "dropped for reasons not involving any moral question."

September 1, 1894. Frederick W. Cobb, Postulant, Diocese of Massachusetts, "stricken from the list for failure to make reports to the Ecclesiastical Authority."

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September 15, 1894. Benjamin Clark Lampleigh, Postulant, Diocese of New York, "removed from the list."

October 1, 1894. Alfred Duane Pell, candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders; Richard Felix Armstrong, Postulant, Diocese of New York; "names removed for causes not affecting their moral characters."

October 21, 1894. Samuel Boardman, Alva E. Duerr, R. D. Wolf, B. O. Hill, Postulants, Diocese of Ohio, "names removed."

October 25, 1894. Milton Haight Turk, Ph. D., Postulant, Diocese of New York, "name removed."

October 30, 1894. Russell Whitcomb, candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, Diocese of New York, "name removed."

November 27, 1894. C. A. Livingston, candidate for Holy Orders, Diocese of Vermont, "name removed."

December 29, 1894. George L. Bell, Walter W. Hagler, candidates for Deacon's Orders only; Robert S. Pygott, Crozier G. Adams, candidates for Priest's Orders; George Sargeant, George B. Engle, Postulants; Diocese of Indiana, "names removed."

January 11, 1895. Robert I. Morgan, Raymond C. Knox, Jas. C. Rabb, Postulants; Clarence E. Johnson, candidates for Holy Orders, Diocese of South Carolina, "names removed."

Feb. 14, 1895. Charles Tilden Sempers, candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, Diocese

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of New York, "name removed in accordance with his request."

April 8, 1895. Samuel James Reed, Postulant, Diocese of New York, "name removed."

April 13, 1895. Charles Evans, candidate, Diocese of Springfield, "name removed."

RESTORATION TO THE MINISTRY.

July 13, 1894. Gave consent to the restoration of Rev. S. H. Meade, M. D., deposed 1874, at request of the Bishop of Milwaukee.

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APPENDIX B.

PASTORAL LETTERS.

I

THE OUTLOOK OF THE YEAR.—A PASTORAL LETTER TO THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE.

DEAR BRETHREN: The first Sunday in Advent, December 2nd, will terminate twenty years from the organization of the Diocese, and February 24, 1895, from the consecration of the Bishop.

You will, I am sure, concur with me that the year should be marked by some decided advance in the interests of the Diocese. From year to year I have pointed out to you in my addresess, and formal and informal pastoral letters, our necessities, and indicated lines of effort.

I now briefly recapitulate some of these:

1. The missionary work of the Diocese demands our first thought, as it presents our grand opportunity. We have not made the advance we could have desired in planting the Church within our Diocesan lines. The eight northern counties, we have not even the name inscribed by a church edifice or services, while in seven others occasional services give us only "a name to live."

This is largely accounted for when I mention what it is painful for me to state—that we have

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not been able to materially increase our original number of laborers. The expansion of the Church has been in established parishes, and by greater extent of charge through our general missionaries.

I can see no better hope for the future, no advancement in the coming year, except through the missionary work of our present clerical force.

I suggest the visitation of existing missions by the neighboring clergy going two and two and accompanied by laymen. This is the plan endorsed by the Convention in 1892. This is asking very little of you, my fellow clerical laborers. It is what is done in many of our Dioceses, far more than it has been done among us. An absence of a day or a night is no great denial for the Church. I must repeat that it is not to the praise of our professed loyalty and love to the Church that her services have never been known in villages within easy reach of an old parish. In such missionary work there is an opportunity for enlarged usefulness of the rector, the lack of which is often deplored. What results we might record, would each one of our ministerial band determine in this year to give at least one service a month where the Church is weak or unknown.

My brethren of the clergy, shall I appeal to you for this in vain? Call it an experiment if you will, regard it as of slight expectation, yet will you not make the attempt?

2. I make my appeal for women workers. Most happily would this supplement the missionary work of the clergy. We need the deaconess.

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Until this can be attained, very much might be accomplished by intelligent, zealous, prudent women placing themselves at the services of the Diocese, under the Bishop, to go out into parishes and missions, to give instruction in classes and from house to house. Thus, Bible knowledge, church information and missionary intelligence might be imparted. Thus, we should have our candidates for holy baptism and confirmation, even where the actual pastor is wanting, "sufficiently instructed in the principles of the Christian religion," and "prepared with prayers and fasting." And thus, the necessarily imperfect work of the general missionaries would be supplemented.

I beg our Christian women to think of this, not to set aside the suggestion as something that, however good, is not to be thought of in their case, to come and confer with me on the subject. This is what women in other religious bodies are doing, and are blessing their own souls and the souls of others. Let this year inaugurate a band of women gathered from our parishes of all degrees, our "helpers in the Lord."

3. The increase of candidates for holy orders demands our serious consideration.

We have now but three, and these, except one, in the earlier stages of preparation. Some of our strongest parishes have not in the existence of the Diocese furnished a single aspirant to the holy ministry. I must think that the clergy have been unmindful of their responsibility—that upon the present ministry mainly devolves that "great

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shall be the company of the preachers." Has the opportunity of the Ember seasons been improved by appeals to parents and to sons? Have lads of intelligence and promise in character been talked with and the attractiveness of the ministry been presented to them? Has the Litany petition been enforced as the voice that should be heard in the family and in the closet?

Not only may we as a Diocese be looked to to furnish our share of the ministerial work; but, to have those whom we may send into our vineyard, we must have our permanent list of candidates.

I should not appeal in vain to you, my clerical brethren, to look around your parishes for the future ministers of the Church, and to remember what the words of the Lord Jesus imply, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth laborers into His vineyard."

4. In any consideration of the interests of our Diocese, we can scarcely lose sight of our Sunday schools.

Dissatisfaction with our Sunday school work is voiced whenever the subject comes up in our clerical gatherings. It seems to me that there are two grand defects—the teaching and the teachers.

The Teaching.—While the school must be very much relied on to meet the baptismal engagement, "Ye must remember that it is your parts and duties to see that this infant be taught, so soon as he shall be able to learn, what a solemn vow, promise and profession he hath here made

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by you. And, that he may know these things the better, ye shall call upon him to hear sermons, and chiefly ye shall provide, that he may learn the creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe, to his soul's health;" the ordinary instruction is fragmentary, and by no means compasses this wide field. Outlines are all that the Sunday school hour can attempt. These, shall the age of attendance be that of the common school, may be met. But for this the books of instruction must be well chosen. I must admit a preference for rudimentary works on the Scriptures, the Catechism, the Prayer Book, rather than the leaflets in general use. To profitably search the Scriptures they must be looked at as a whole. The Catechism needs close and confined study, and so the Prayer Book.

Some provision for the instruction of young persons is required by the Church. "The ministers of this Church who have charge of parishes or cures shall not only be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, but shall also by stated Catechetical lectures and instructions, be diligent in informing the youth and others in the Doctrine, Constitution, History and Liturgy of the Church." Title I, Canon 18, Sec. III, [1.]

It is better that such instruction shall be given away from the Sunday school should it be necessary to fix the same hour. No words can express the importance of complying with this Canon.

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The age of the Sunday school will admit of only elementary teaching. After leaving, will be the intelligence, and should be the interest that will render instruction most valuable. Then, ordinarily at this time the obligations of confirmation and holy communion will have been assumed. I cannot urge too earnestly upon the parish minister to follow the Church's wise counsel and requirement.

The Missionary Sunday in the Sunday school will be the wisest compliance with the further law of the Church. "They shall also diligently instruct all in their cures concerning the missionary work of the Church at home and abroad." There can be no better guarantee of a missionary spirit pervading our parishes than the children made to know and feel what missions mean.

The Teachers.—No matter or order of study will meet the wants of our youth or afford the ability of the Sunday school, unless the instruction is in right hands. Intelligent and earnest Christian character is the first demand. A Sunday school left to any persons who may be willing or who can be urged into taking a class will be scarcely worth continuance. Teachers should be carefully selected, and then instructed in their work. A school divided into sections rather than small classes would adjust the demand to the ability of the parish to supply. The want of a parish building need not prevent this. The classes may be so disposed in the church as to prevent interference. I believe that the improve-

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ment of our Sunday schools must be on these lines.

5. Before I turn to matters that affect our parishes and Diocese in temporalities, let me urge what the Church's heart is so set upon—the monthly service of intercession for missions. It means not only missionary prayer, but missionary intelligence, and hence missionary zeal. It has no difficulty that may not be overcome. I beg our ministers to inaugurate it. Forms of prayer have been sent to all the parishes. Our hymnody is rich in the appropriate hymns. Our Missionary house in New York will send printed matter to repletion. The Junior Auxiliary Publishing Company, Hartford, Connecticut, will add to it in most attractive form.

Just here a word must be added for the Woman's Auxiliary. It has done a grand good work. What we want is to extend it into every parish and mission. Why not? This at least can be done. The meeting can be regularly held and something can be made, if only a baby's socks, to go in some box. Dear sister, will you not try it? Suppose there are only two or three to meet—the Lord will be with you. Remember, when "Jesus sat over against the treasury," what occurred. Write me, if you do not quite understand how to begin.

6. It would be an unpardonable omission, in a survey of our Diocesan affairs, to omit the interests of our Diocesan School.

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Its history is too well known to need repetition. Yet from that history come the strongest motives for Diocesan interest and effort. The property was the gift of those upon whom we had not even the claim of church membership. The resources have been the gifts of those in the Diocese, and of friends beyond its borders, and even of persons not of our communion. The income has, with the exception of one year, met the support, notwithstanding the unusually low charges.

The School requires about $1,000 annually to meet interest, insurance and repairs. This sum should be secured by subscriptions in the Diocese. I solicit the interest and efforts of the clergy and laity, to bring the School to the notice of the church people to induce their pecuniary aid, and to secure pupils. I am persuaded that Akeley will be a blessing to the Diocese, and that the days of struggle will soon pass away. I might plead the anxiety and labor to which I have been subjected, and yet what I have seen of the advantage of having a Diocesan School for girls, and what I see in the future, is an ample recompense.

7. Passing lastly to pecuniary matters, I call your attention to the assessments. We have reason to be thankful that the Episcopate fund renders these far less onerous than in many Dioceses. A loyal spirit will cheerfully meet the deficiency in the salary of the Bishop and other Diocesan expenses. The canonical requirement of "quarterly installments" is sadly neglected.

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The action of the last convention—"No parish or mission shall be admitted to representation of any kind in the convention, which has not paid in full all the assessments due from it to the treasury of the Diocese," excludes today 22 parishes and missions. Our lay representation at convention, never large, must be greatly reduced by this legislation. The plea of inability will scarcely be urged when it may be met by denial. I believe that the assessment would easily be raised by apportioning the sum among the communicants, and making it payable in the Lenten season.

Better business methods in the management of the parishes would save much friction and render the pastoral relations far easier and happier. Not only are books not kept, or kept in the most slovenly manner, but the clerical salary is pledged, yet not provided for; insurance is allowed to lapse, and current expenses are disregarded. There has been a marked improvement in this regard, partly by the Bishop asking for Easter reports; but, what is true of some parishes should be true of all—that the business of the parish is carried on as though the large capital of a company or the affairs of an extensive trade were involved.

In looking over the forthcoming JOURNAL, I find a large amount of indebtedness—in all, $70,000. This is no doubt caused in part by the times, but it should be taken in hand at once. If the whole cannot be paid, let some inroad be

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made on the amount. A parish debt never pays itself, and it has a wonderfully growing power. We ought this year to lessen materially our indebtedness.

And now, dear brethren of the clergy and laity, as "over you in the Lord," "I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up," as followers of the Lord, and as the Church in this Diocese of Western Michigan," "and to give them an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

GEO. D. GILLESPIE,
Bishop of Western Michigan.

S. Simon and S. Jude, A. D. 1894.

II.

TO THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH.

MY DEAR CHILDREN: I am not a missionary Bishop, but I have much to do with missions, and I would be ashamed if I had not an interest in missions beyond my own Diocese. I long to see our dear Church more awake to her duty to our own country and to the lands where our blessed Lord is not loved and worshiped. It seems to me that one of the brightest signs in our missionary work is your interest.

The eminent Legh Richmond was once preaching on missions in Scotland, and he asked for money. The hum of the children was heard: "*We will give! we will give!*" Some persons present attempted to check them and silence them; but the grown people cried out: "The

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bairns will have it! the bairns will have it!" And so when the children of the Church understand about missions, and say: "We want to know all about them; we will give, and we will pray," the older people will catch their enthusiasm.

Dear Children of the Church, you must do great things this coming Lent. Begin to think about it, and talk about it at once. Only twenty-one days, and Ash Wednesday will be here. We want to hear from the Missions House, after Easter: "The children have given more than ever."

The other day I attended the funeral of dear Bishop Knickerbacker. He was a great missionary, a missionary Bishop because he had been a missionary rector. He loved the children. In his Diocesan paper was always a letter to them. Someone said in my hearing: "He always laid his hand upon the head of a boy or girl." So a gracious God is taking home those of us who have long been working, and praying that our dear Lord may "see of the travail of His soul and be satisfied." But the laborers are not fewer, and they are younger, and therefore full of life and zeal. "Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast Thou ordained praise."

God bless you, little missionaries.

You friend, GEO. D. GILLESPIE,
Bishop of Western Michigan.

--*The Young Christian Soldier.*

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A PRAYER.

O, Almighty God! the Supreme Governor of all things, whose power no creature is able resist, we invoke Thy aid in this, our day of dispute and dissension.

O, Thou who makest men to be of one mind in a house, incline the hearts of employers and of those whom they employ to mutual forbearance, fairness and good will. Give the spirit of governance and of a sound mind to all in places of authority. Let bitterness and wrath and anger and violence yield to sound reason, to prudence and charity. And hasten the day when, walking in Thy fear and love, we may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. *Amen.*

I hereby authorize the use of this prayer, under Title 1, Canon 15, Sec. XIII, at the discretion of the clergyman.

Charlevoix, July 11, 1894.

GEO. D. GILLESPIE.

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APPENDIX C.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

St. James' Church, Albion, County of Calhoun, 1867.

The Rev. Thomas H. Henley, Rector, (1894).
Howard C. Daskam, H. D. Thomason, Wardens.
Chas. L. McClellan, Secretary and Treasurer.
Rev. Thos. H. Henley, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 54; Adults, 90; children, 20; total, 110. Of these, baptized persons, 102; baptized during the year, infants, 3; adults, 6; total 9. Confirmed persons in the parish, 90; confirmed during the year, 8. Communicants, last reported, —; admitted, 8; received 2; total added, 10. Removed, 2; total lost, 2. Present number male, 21; present number female, 69; total, 90. Marriages, 4. Public Services, Sundays, 51; holy days, 10; total, 61. Holy Communion, public, 7. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 3; total, 4. Pupils, male, 15; pupils, female, 38; total, 53; average attendance, 20. Catechising, number of times, 24; Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Names of Parochial Societies, Ladies' Guild, Altar Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $98.75; subscriptions, $316.75; Women's Guilds, $130; the Sunday school, $5.14. Total, $550.64.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the Rector's Salary, (paid to Rev. Henley), $316.75; for other salaries, $66; for insurance, $59; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $17.36; the increase and improvement of church property, $71; by the Sunday school, for S. S. papers, $1.33. Total for Parochial Objects, $531.44.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, ar-

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rears paid, ($21.26), $31.26; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $1.25; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2.33.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $34.84.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign Missions, $1.27.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.27.

Total of disbursements, $536 29.

In Treasurer's hands, $10.54; S. S. $3.81. Balance in hand, $14.35.

Total, $550.64.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $5,000. Indebtedness, floating, $85.75; Due the Diocese on assessment, $137.68. Salary of the Rector, $450. Insurance on the church and organ, $5,300; total $3,500. Capacity of the church building—Whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 94.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan, County of Allegan, 1858.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas, Rector, (1895).

C. R. Wilkes, Lay Reader.

Wm. B. Williams, Almeron E. Cialnks, Wardens.

C. H. Adams, Secretary.

F. H. Williams, Treasurer.

Sam'l D. Pond, Superintendent of the Sunday Scohol.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 65; adults, 170; children, 120; total, 290. Of these, baptized persons, 225; baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 5; total, 7. Confirmed persons in the parish, 112. Communicants last reported, 120; received, 2; total added, 2. Died, 1; removed, 10; total lost, 11. Present number male, 36; present number female, 76: total, 112. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4. Public services, Sundays, 57; holy days, 11; week days, 24; total, 92. Holy Communion, public, 18. Sunday school, pupils, male, 25; pupils, female, 40; total, 65; average attendance, 50. Number of Volumes, Parish library, 40; S. S. library, 200. Subscribers to Church Helper, 13. Names of Parochial Societies: Altar Guild, Christian Endeavor, Women's Auxiliary, Ladies' Social Circle.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $89.50; from the offertory, $120.29; the envelope system, $645.84; subscriptions, $31.60; Women's Auxiliary,

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(money only, not box values), $30; Women's Guilds, $250; the Sunday school, $85; other sources, $20.61. Total, $1,272.84.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, (paid to June 1), $409 48; for other salaries, $83.60; for repairs on the church and rectory, $125; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $41.42; paid on indebtedness, (am't due at last convention, $250), $250; for the Sunday school, $35; by the Sunday school, for missions, $52.50. Total for Parochial Objects, $997.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $37.62; assessment of the convention, $41.60; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $3.77; services for deaf mutes, $2.80; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.40; by the Sunday school for sundries, $25.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $114.19.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $3.56; Bible and common prayer book societies, $1.66; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, (for general missions), $30; by the Sunday school, for missions, $52.50. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $87.72.

Total of Disbursements, $1,198.91.

Balance in hand, $73 94.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $5,000; pipe organ, $1,200; rectory, $1,500;. Indebtedness, floating, none; missionary pledges, none. Salary of the rector, $900 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $3,000; rectory, 1,000; other property, $1,000; total, $5,000. Capacity of church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

REMARKS.

This parish was under the charge of Rev. W. P. Law until September 1, 1894. From that date until May 15, 1895, lay services were held under the charge of C. R. Wilkes. Rev. Wm. Lucas, of Hastings, Nebraska, accepted a call to this parish, the same taking effect May 16, 1895.

Bishop's Address, page 97.

St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, County of Calhoun, 1842.

The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D., Rector, (1894).
Geo. Willard, John Eyre Nelson, Lay Readers.

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Hon. George Willard, Dr. A. T. Metcalf, Wardens.
Wedon N. Gleason, Secretary.
William Andrus, Treasurer.
John Eyre Nelson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 177; adults, 447; children, 163; total, 610. Of these, baptized persons, 506. Baptized during the year, infants' 17; adults, 24; total, 41. Confirmed persons in the parish, 285; confirmed during the year, 46. Communicants last reported, 221; admitted, 46; received, 27; total added, 73. Died, 2; removed, 6; dropped, 17; total lost, 25. Present number male, 70; present number female, 200; total, 270. Marriages, 10. Burials, 17. Public services, Sundays, 120; holy days, 77; week days, 30; total, 227. Holy communion, 53; private, 10. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 14; total, 16. Pupils, male, 63; pupils, female, 81; total, 144. Catechising, number of times, 9. Number of Volumes, S. S. library, 165. Subscribers to Church Helper, 13. Names of Parochial societies; The Parish Aid Society, The Daughters of the King, The Sanctuary Guild, The St. Andrew's Brotherhood, Choir Guild. Have held missionary services in Penfield and Cleveland Townships, Calhoun Co.

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THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at Last report, $353.30; from the offertory, $500.51; alms at holy communion, not otherwise reported, $94.39; pew rents, $1896.36; Women' Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $25; Women,s Guilds, $775; Men's Guilds, $30; the Sunday school, $97.84; other sources, $823.18. Total, $4,595.58.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at holy communion (not otherwise reported), $94.39; For the rector's salary, $1,800; for other salaries, $369 40; for insurance, $48; for repairs on the church and rectory, $250; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $749.12; the increase and improvement of church property, $650.37; church furniture bought, $225; by the Sunday school, $50.34.

Total for Parochial Objects, $4,236 62.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $87.50; assessment of the convention, $48.20; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $10.02: services for deaf mutes, $4 05; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in

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the Diocese, $2; Bishop's Trust Fund, $10; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan missions, $32.50; Akeley Institute, through the Daughters of the King, $35. Total for Diocesan Objects, $229.27.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $16.17; domestic missions, $6 50; foreign missions, $6.25; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, (including box), $85; by the Sunday school, for domestic missions, $15. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $128.92.

Total of Disbursements, $4,594.81.

Balance in hand .77.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $20,000; chapel, $4,000; lot for parish house, $2,500; rectory, $3,000; total, $29,500. Salary of the rector, $1,800 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $11,000; rectory, $1,500; total, $12,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 400.

Bishop's Address, page 95.

St. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids, County of Mecosta, 1873.

The Rev. Wm. E. Wright, Rector, (1893).
John Perry, Archibald Graham, Wardens.
Charles F. Stearns, Secretary.
E. P. Clark, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday school.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 30; adults, 150; children, 80; total, 230. Baptized during the year, infants, 3; adults, 1; total 4. Confirmed persons in the parish, 95. Communicants last reported, 106. Died, 1; removed, 8; not found, 2; not communed in a year, 21; total lost, 32. Present number male, 16; present number female, 58; total, 74. Marriages, 6. Burials, 7. Public services, Sundays, 91; holy days, 43; week days, 43; total, 177. Holy communion, public, 77. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 7; total, 8. Pupils, male, 30; pupils, female, 28. total, 58; average attendance, 35. Catechising, number of times, 46. Number of Volumes, S. S., 150. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Aid, St. Andrew's Guild, Altar Guild, Missionary society.

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THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $1.16; from the offertory, $202.61; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $32.76; the envelope system, $677 94; subscriptions, $282 49; Women's Guilds, $310.71; the Sunday school, $39 63; other sources, $10. Total, $1,556.14.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $25.91; for the rector's salary, (paid to March 19, 1895), $980.96; for other salaries, $178.67; for repairs on the church and rectory, $181.47; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $67.32; by the Sunday school for sundries, $45.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,478.73.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $13 67; assessment of the convention, $35.01; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $11; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5 63.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $65.31.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Bishop Graves' special from S. S., $6.50; local charities, $4.82.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $11.32.

Total of Disbursements, $1,555.36.

Balance in hand, $ .78.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500; rectory, $1,400. Salary of the rector, $1,000 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $1,400; rectory, $700; other property, $1,050; total, $3,150. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

REMARKS.

This Financial Report is for the year ending Easter, 1895.

St. Mark's Church, Coldwater, County of Branch, 1848.

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby, Rector, (1895).
N. P. Loveridge, A. Milnes, Wardens.
E. R. Root, Secretary.
H. P. Woodward, Treasurer.
H. P. Woodward, Superintendent of Sunday Schools.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, familes 114. Baptized during the year, infants, 11; adults, 4; total, 15. Confirmed persons in the parish, 143. Communicants last reported, 157; received, 5; total added, 5. Died, 4; removed, 4; not found, 11; total lost, 19. Present number male, 40 present number female, 103; total, 143. Marriages, 8. Burials, 15 Public services, Sundays, from January 6, 46; holy days, 3; week days, 33; total, 82. Holy communion, public, 10; private, 4. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 9; total, 11. Pupils, total, 80; average attendance, 48. Catechising, number of times, 4. Number of Volumes, S. S., 345. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Parish Aid, St. Agatha's Guild, Choral Association, Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Have held missionary services in Quincy 12 times; State School, 4 times; Y. M. C. A., 3 times; Y. W. C. A., 1 time.

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THE RECEIPTS.—TREAS. REPORT, MAR. 19, '94, TO APR. 16, '95.

On hand at last report, $34.03; from the offertory, $166.75, pew rents, $645.50; the envelope system, $50.05; subscriptions, $402.40; Women's Guilds, $50. Total, $1,348.73.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $988.32; (paid to visiting clergy), $70; for other salaries, $35; for repairs on the church and the rectory, $47.38; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $189.78.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,330.48.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $20; assessment of the convention, $73.73; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.52; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.75; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan mission, $5. Total for Diocesan Objects, $106.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday school, for translation of Bible into Chinese, $5.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $5.

Total of Disbursements, $1,441.48.

Balance in hand, $15.73.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $14,000; chapel, $2,700; total, $16,700. Salary of the rector, $1,000. Insurance, on the church, $6,000; other property,

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$1,500; total, $7,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 400; of these, free, 125.

Bishop's Address, pages 95-97.

REMARKS.

No record of families since August, 1883.
Services since January 6, 1895.

St. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids, County of Antrim, 1870.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Rector, (1893).
H. B. Lewis, Lay Reader.
Horatio B. Lewis, Joseph Butler, Wardens.
R. W. Bagot, Secretary.
C. D. Towne, Treasurer.
H. B. Lewis, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 38; adults, 72; children, 64; total, 136. Of these, baptized persons, 126; baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 5; total, 9. Confirmed persons in the parish, 69; confirmed during the year, 9. Communicants last reported, 52; admitted, 9; received, 4; total added, 13. Removed, 1; total lost, 1. Present number male, 20; present number female, 44; total, 64. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 109; holy days, 10; week days, 56; total, 175. Holy communion, public, 45; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 4; total, 7. Pupils, male, 17; pupils, female, 27; total, 44; average attendance, 26. Number of Volumes, S. S. library, 25. Subscribers to the Church Helper, 8. Names of Parochial societies: Women's Guild, St. Andrew's Brotherhood. Have held missionary services in Bellaire, Central Lake, East Jordan.

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THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $7.49; from the offertory, $93.47; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $1.46; the envelope system, $674.06; subscriptions, $12.90; Women's Guilds, $129.37; the Sunday school, $41.99; other sources, $126.91. Total, $1,096.40.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not other-

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wise reported), $1.46; for the rector's salary, (paid to June 1, 1895)' $800; for other salaries, $28; for insurance $35; for repairs on the church and rectory, $1.18; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $38 78; parish endowment, (not paid out), $3 50; on acc't interest, $12.50; for the Sunday school, $24.39.

Total for Parochial Objects, $944.81.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan mission, $15; assessment of the convention, $43.07; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $4.45; services for deaf mutes. $2 61; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan missions, $5; Akeley Institute, confirmees' fund, $5.25. Total for Diocesan Objects, $78.38.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2.90; foreign missions, $3.50; education for the ministry, $3.25: societies for the conversion of Jews, $1.00; by the Sunday school, for foreign missions, $17.60.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $28.25.

Total of Disbursements, $1,051.44.

Balance in hand, $44.96.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $5,000; rectory, $1,000. Indebtedness, floating, $253.61; secured, $900. Salary of the rector, $800 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $3,000; rectory, $900; other property, $500; total, $4,400. Capacity of the church building, whole number sittings, 250; of these, free, all.

St. John's Church, Grand Haven, County of Ottawa, 1866.

The Rev. L. C. Rogers, Rector, (1893).
Richard C. Duryea, William Summers, Wardens.
Charles Christmas, Secretary.
Charles Christmas, Treasurer.
Rev. L. C. Rogers, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 60; adults, 155; children, 65; total, 220. Of these, baptized persons, 203; baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 3; total, 7. Confirmed persons in the parish, 130; confirmed during the year, 14. Communicants last reported, 117; admitted, 14;

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received 11; total added, 25. Removed, 19; total lost, 19. Present number male, 48; present number female, 75; total, 123. Marriages, 3. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 147; holy days, 53; week days, 69; total, 269. Holy communion, public, 91; private, 2. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 7; total, 8. Pupils, male, 21; pupils, female, 27; total, 48; average attendance, 35. Catechising, number of times, 25. Number of Volumes, S. S. library, 125. Subscribers to Church Helper, 16. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Guild, Altar Society, Woman's Auxiliary, Junior Auxiliary.

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THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $243.35; subscriptions, $685.72; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $20; Women's Guilds, $90.63; the Sunday school, $22 62. Total, $1,062.32.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $675.46; for other salaries, $62; for insurance, $112.50; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $43.06; for the Sunday school, $21.48.

Total for Parochial Objects, $914.50.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $40; assessment of the convention, $50.63; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $6.50; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5.09; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan missions, $5; Confirmees' Akeley Scholarship Fund, $1. Total for Diocesan Objects, $108.22.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $9; societies for the conversion of Jews, $2; Women's Auxiliary Aid, $20; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $8.60.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $39.60.

Total of Disbursements, $1,062.32.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $6,000; chapel, $500; rectory, $1,200; total, $7,700. Indebtedness, floating, $230.79; secured, $750. Salary of the rector, $800 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $4,500; rectory, $750; total, $5,250. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250.

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St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1836.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., Rector, (1886).
W. R. Shelby, C. G. A. Voigt, Wardens.
W. Leslie Freeman, Secretary.
W. J. Stuart, Treasurer.
Edwin F. Sweet, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 415; adults, 900; children, 450; total, 1,350. Of these, baptized persons, 1,260; baptized during the year, infants, 38; adults, 8; total, 46. Confirmed persons in the parish, about 850; confirmed during the year, 18. Communicants last reported; 690; admitted, 17; received, 29; total added, 46. Died, 7; removed, 10; total lost, 17. Total, 719. Marriages, 22. Burials, 34. Public services, Sundays, 307; holy days, 85; week days, 271; total, 663. Holy communion, public, 90; private, 7. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 7; female, 15; total, 22. Pupils, male, 65; pupils, female, 97; total, 206; average attendance, 95. Subscribers to Church Helper, 47. Names of Parochial societies: Choir, Sunday School, Bible Classes, Missions, Industrial Band, Helping Hand, Sewing School, Girl's Friendly, Ministering League, Woman's Missionary, Children's Missionary, Temperance Society, Band of Hope, Young Woman's Society, Twenty Minute Society, Maternite, St. Mark's Academy, Young Men's Society, "Junior Auxiliary Society," Food and Clothing Society, Young People's Meeting, "Pleasant Evening's," "Willing Workers," "Flower Guild," "Clergy Aid," "Pastor's Aid Ten." Have held missionary services in North, South and West Grand Rapids, Paris Township, County House, Newaygo, Rockford, Pentwater, etc., 30 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory; $2,321.34; pew rents, $5,560; Sunday school and parish societies, $1,045 33; individual gifts, $400; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $264.65; designated donations, $470; special objects, $800; hospital and other city charities, $1,600.

Total, $12,461.32.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $464.21; for rector's salary, $3,600; for other salaries,

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$1,807.14; for insurance, $85; for repairs on the church and rectory, $107.99; for gas, $86.60; coal and wood, $156.36; water $40; interest, $372.88; incidentals, $96 11; the increase and improvement of church property, $246; Tomkins mission and special poor, $164.42; for Sunday school canvassing, $43.25. Total for Parochial Objects, $7,269 96.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $500; assessment of the convention, $312; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $70; services for deaf mutes, $10; Woman's Auxiliary, Bishop's Trust Fund, $18; Bishop's Trust Fund, $35; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan missions, $25. Total for Diocesan Objects, $970.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $20; domestic missions, $170 82; foreign missions, $73.75; specials, $37 95; "increase of the ministry," $11; Bible and Common Prayer Book societies, $11; societies for the conversion of Jews, $25; Parochial Missions societies, $30; American Church Building Fund commission, $15; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $246.65.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $641.17.

Miscellaneous—Expended by S. S. and parish societies, $780.19; designated and specials, $1,200: city charities and hospitals, $1,600.

Total of Miscellaneous, $3,580.19.

Total Disbursements, $12,461.32.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church and chapel, $65,000; rectory, $12,000; total, $77,000, Indebtedness, floating, $3,000; secured, $1,500. Salary of the rector, $3,600 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $13,500; rectory, $2,000. organ, $2,000; total, $17,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 1,500; of these, free, 800; rented, 700.

Bishop's address, page 95.

REMARKS.

This parish is recovering from the financial depression which so prostrated it in 1893. The spiritual condition is also improving.

The generosity of the congregation pledged $2,500, during Lent, toward the removal of all debt; of this, $1,400 have been paid since Easter, 1895.

St. James' Mission, in the south-west portion of Grand Rapids, has been started by St. Mark's during the year, making the seventh mission in the city, founded out of the "mother church."

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Grace Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent. 1875.

The Rev. John Brewster Hubbs, Rector, (1891).
Jacob Kleinhans, William H. Raiguel, Wardens.
George E. Luther, Secretary.
George E. Hardy, Treasurer.
George E. Luther, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 175. Baptized during the year, infants, 16; adults, 3; total, 19. Confirmed during the year, 16. Communicants last reported, 319; admitted, 14; received, 5; total added, 19. Died, 4; removed, 13; dropped, 11; total lost, 28. Present number male, 70; present number female, 240, total, 310. Marriages, 2. Burials, 18. Public services, Sundays, 100; holy days, 25; week days, 115; total, 240. Holy communion, public, 82: private, 4. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male. 7; teachers and officers, female, 12; total, 19. Pupils, total, 176; average attendance, 98. Catechising, number of times, 48. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Names of Parochial societies: The Ladies' Society, St. Marguerite's Guild, The Chancel Guild, St. Mary's Guild, The Young People's Association, Circles No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Have held services in St. John's church 48 times.

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THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $409.66; the envelope system, $2,031.35; subscriptions, $953.65; Women's Guilds, $405.64; the Sunday school, $166. Total, $3,966.30.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For rector's salary, (paid to June 1st), $1,500; for other salaries, $791.30; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $285.71; the rectory and organ debt, $273; by the Sunday school, for its work, $100.

Total for Parochial Objects, $2,849.01.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $40; assessment of the convention, $116.44; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.01; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan missions, $25.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $185.45.

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For objects exterior to the Diocese—by the Sunday school, for general missions, $10.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $10.

Total of Disbursements, $3,144.46.

To balance, $821.84.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $25,000; rectory, $6,000; total. $31,000. Indebtedness, floating, $4,500; secured, $15,500. Salary of the rector, $1,500 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $13,000; rectory, $1,500; total, $14,500. Capacity of the church, whole number of sittings, 600; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page 95.

St. Paul's Memorial Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1872.

The Rev. Edward Macomb Duff, Rector, (1894).
Orr Schurtz, C. W. Vincent, Lay Readers.
Thomas Brinton, Orr Schurtz, Wardens.
Manley Jones, Secretary.
Charles E. Folger, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 72; adults, 123, children, 75; total, 198. Of these, baptized persons, 185; baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 8; total, 12. Confirmed persons in the parish, 111; confirmed during the year, 7. Communicants last reported, 115; admitted, 9; received, 15; total, 24. Died, 1; removed, 35; dropped, 10; total lost, 46. Present number, male, 26; present number, female, 67; total, 93. Marriages, 3. Burials, 2. Public services, Sunday, 119: holy days, 13; week days, 49; total, 181. Holy communion, public, 48; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 9; total, 12. Pupils, male, 25; pupils, female, 50; total, 75; average attendance, 63. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of Volumes, S. S. library, 277. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Parish Guild, Ladies' Aid Society, Young Churchmen's League—(a) Senior branch, (b) Junior branch. Have held missionary services in Grand Rapids, 5 times.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory and envelope system, $518.02: subscriptions for parish house, $286; Women's Guilds, $152; Young People's Guilds, $14; the Sunday school, $67 81; other sources, $200.

Total, $1,230.83.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, (paid to June 1st), $448.71; for other salaries, $59; for insurance, $44.15; for repairs on the church and rectory, $3.30; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $62.87; The increase and improvement of church property, *$550; by the Sunday school, for its maintenance, $43.70.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,211.73.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $12.25; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.10; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan missions, $2.75.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $19.10.

Total of Disbursements, $1,230.83.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000; parish house, $600; total, $3 600. Indebtedness, floating, $270.90; (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $70.90. Insurance, on the church, $2,000; other property, $500; total, $2,500. Capacity of church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page 95.

REMARKS.

*$550 is the approximate amount, after all contemplated improvements on parish house have been completed and outstanding bills paid. This includes foundation, furniture and tinting of walls.

A loan of $200 from the American Church Building Fund has been effected at 6 per cent. for five years.

Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1886.

The Rev. H. H. Johnston, Rector, (1890).
Chas. E. Lockwood, Wm. H. Tibbs, Wardens.
Wm. E. Cox, Secretary.
Robt. D. Tule, Treasurer.
Rev. H. H. Johnston, Superintendent of the Sunday school.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 159; adults, 220; children, 34; total, 414. Confirmed persons in the parish, 257. Present number male, 79; present number female, 180; total, 259.

No financial report.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000. Insurance, on the church, $2,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, 200.

REMARKS.

Note—The Secretary has taken the few items given from last year's report.

Emmanuel Church, Hastings, County of Barry, 1863.

The Rev. W. W. Taylor, Rector, (1892).
Henry A. Goodyear, D. G. Robinson, Wardens.
M. W. Riker, Secretary.
John F. Goodyear, Treasurer.
Joseph A. Van Arman, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, about 100; adults, 170; children, 109; total, 279. Of these baptized persons, 233; baptized during the year, infants, 16; adults, 11; total, 27. Confirmed during the year, 20. Communicated last reported, 104; admitted, 21; received, 1; total added, 22. Died, 2; removed, 9; total lost, 11. Present number male, 23; present number female, 92; total, 115. Marriages, 6. Burials, 8. Public services, Sundays, 150; holy days, 19; week days, 68; total, 237. Holy Communion, public, 50; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 6; teachers and officers, female, 11; total, 17. Pupils, male, 58; pupils, female, 80; total, 138; average attendance, 68. Catechising, every Sunday. Subscribers to Church Helper, 21. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Society, Women's Auxiliary, Junior Auxiliary, St. Agnes' Guild, Christian Endeavor.

FINANCIAL ROPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $284.63; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $62.50; the envelope system, $785; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $30; Women's Guilds, $307.19; Child-

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ren's Guilds, $25; the Sunday school, $145.64; other sources, $113.53. Total, $1,753.49.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $62.50; for the rector's salary, $785; for other salaries, $146.70; for insurance, $75; for repairs, $70.86; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $144.80; paid on indebtedness, $150.40; for the poor, (additional), $17.65; for the Sunday school, $4.11; by the Sunday school, for its own support, $89.23.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,546.25.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $30; assessment of the convention, $52.14; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $10; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $5; by the S. S. for Diocesan missions, $10. Total for Diocesan Objects, $107.14.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $10.58; foreign missions, $10; Bible and Common Prayer Book societies, $5; societies for the converson of Jews, $2.85; American Church Building Fund commission, $5.26; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $20; by the Sunday school, for domestic and foreign missions, $31.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $84 69.

Total of Disbursements, $1,738.08.

Balance in hand, $15.41.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $9,000; chapel, $2,000; total, $11,000. Indebtedness, floating, $165; secured, $980.40. Salary of the rector, $950. Insurance, on the church, $5,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 300; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, pages 121–127.

REMARKS.

The financial statement is from Easter to Easter.

Grace Church, Holland, County of Ottawa, 1868.

The Rev. Marcus H. Martin, Minister in charge, (1894).
C. A. Stevenson, Lay Reader.
F. A. Remington, — — Lapishe, Wardens.
D. L. Boyd, Secretary.
F. A. Remington, Treasurer.
F. A. Remington, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 40; adults, 60; children, 43; total, 103. Baptized, during the year, infants, 2; total, 2. Confirmed during the year, 2. Communicants last reported, 38; admitted, 2; received, 1; total added, 3. Removed, 1: total lost, 1. Present number male, 9; present number female, 31; total, 40. Marriages, 1. Public services, Sundays, clerical, 20; lay, 37; week days, 4; total, 61. Holy Communion, public, 5. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 6; total, 7. Pupils, male, 12; pupils, female, 25; total, 37; average attendance, 22. Catechising, number of times, 3. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Guild, Young People's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $7 67; from the offertory, $55.08; subscriptions, $148.55: Women's Guilds, $34.74. Total, $246.04.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $149.05; for other salaries, $47; for repairs on the church and rectory, $16.80; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $23.30.

Total for Parochial Objects, $236.15.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday school, for missions, $9. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $9.

Total of Disbursements, $236.15.

Balance in hand, $9.89.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500. Indebtedness, floating, $72; (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $72.) Salary of the rector, $150. Insurance, on the church, $2,500; total, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, 150. Bishop's address, page 117.

Christ Church, Homer, County of Calhoun, 1841.

The Rev. Thomas H. Henley, Rector, (1894).
N. D. Beedon, Lay Reader.
A. A. Garlinghouse, John Bayes, Wardens.
L. B. Tompkins, Secretary.

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Henry Martin, Treasurer.

John Bayes, Superintendent of the Sunday school.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 33; adults, 72; children, 33; total, 105. Of these, baptized persons, 95. Confirmed persons in the parish, 61. Communicants last reported, 59. Died, 2; removed, 3; total lost, 5. Present number male, 21; present number female, 51; total, 72. Burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 38; holy days, 6; total, 44. Holy Communion, public, 2; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 1; total, 4. Pupils, male, 18; pupils, female, 29; total, 47; average attendance, 30. Catechising, number of times, 8. Number Volumes, parish library, 10; S. S. library, 110. Subscribers to Church Helper, 9. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Auxiliary, Woman's Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS

From the offertory, $44.12; subscriptions, $175; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $5; Women's Guilds, $164.12; the Sunday school, $16.37. Total, $404.61.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $175; for repairs on the church and rectory, $164.12; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $42.37; by the Sunday school, for papers, etc., $11.87. Total for Parochial Objects, $393.36.

For objects within the Diocese—Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.75.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $1.75.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions, Lenten offerings, $4.50; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $5.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $9 50.

Total of Disbursements, $404.61.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,500; total, $2,500. Indebtedness, floating, $234.25; (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $18.) Salary of the rector, $275. Insurance, on the church, $1,200; total, $1,200. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these. free, all. Bishop's address, pages 97–124.

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St. John's Church, Ionia, County of Ionia, 1842.

The Rev. W. H. Thomas, D. D., Rector, (1893).
James Vosper, Ethan T. Montgomery, Wardens.
C. B. Wardle, Secretary.
C. W. Parsons, Treasurer.
W. H. Thomas, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 112; adults, 242; children, 85; total, 327. Of these, baptized persons, 218; baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 7; total, 11. Confirmed persons in the parish, 182; confirmed during the year, 26. Communicants last reported, 145; admitted, 26; received, 28; total added, 54. Died, 2; removed, 10; not found, 25; dropped, 5; total lost, 42. Present number male, 44; present number, female, 113; total, 157. Marriages, 5. Burials, 6. Public services, Sundays, 153; holy days, 10; week days, 57; total, 220. Holy Communion, public, 16; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 6; teachers and officers, female, 10; total, 16. Pupils, male, 33; pupils, female, 57; total 90. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 270. Subscribers to Church Helper, 15. Names of Parochial societies: Women's Auxiliary, Ladies' Aid Society, Altar Guild, Young People's Society C. E. Have held missionary services in Greenville 18 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $49.25; from the offertory, $321.92; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $27.54; the envelope system, $1,343 37; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $23.32; Women's Guilds, $237.02; the Sunday school, $86.12; other sources, $86.85; borrowed, $190. Total, $2,365.39.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $27.54. for the rector's salary, (paid to May 1, 1895), $1,265; for other salaries, $135.59; for insurance, $140; for repairs on the church, $4.75; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $273.50; paid on indebtedness, $212; for the Sunday school, $54 22.

Total for Parochial Objects, $2,112.60.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $47.98; assessment of the convention, $88.05; services for deaf mutes, $6.82;

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Bishop's Trust Fund, (Woman's Auxiliary, $5; Confirmation offering, $6.18;) $11.18. Total for Diocesan Objects, $154.03.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday school, for general missions, $23.71; Woman's Auxiliary, Bishop Gillespie scholarship, $10; Woman's Auxiliary, Dr. Cumming sholarship, $5; Woman's Auxiliary, Ellen E. Robinson scholarship, $5.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $43.71.

Total of Disbursements, $2,310.34.

Balance in hand, $55.05.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $10,000; the chapel, $500; total, $10,500. Indebtedness, floating, $99; (of this, Missionary pledges, $99); secured, $1,143. Salary of the rector, $1,300. Insurance, on the church, $5,000; other property, $2,500; total, $7,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 325; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page 125.

St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, County of Kalamazoo, 1837.

The Rev. Rob't R. Claiborne, Rector, (1892).
Henry Brees, J. Davidson Burns, Wardens.
David Fisher, Secretary.
J. Davidson Burns, Treasurer.
Charles H. Hamilton, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 275. Baptized during the year, infants, 23; adults, 20; total, 43. Confirmed during the year, 47. Communicants last reported, 432; admitted, 47; received, 7; total added, 54. Died, 5; removed, 10; dropped, 25; total lost, 40. Present number male, 116; present number female, 330; total, 446. Marriages, 4. Burials, 17. Public services, Sundays, 156; holy days, 27; week days, 77; total, 260. Holy Communion, public, 75; private, 14. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 5; teachers and officers, female, 13; total, 18. Pupils, male, 83; pupils, female, 109; total, 192; average attendance, 145. Catechising, number of times, 12. Subscribers to Church Helper, 37. Names of Parochial societies: Woman's Guild, Parochial League.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $279 95; from the offertory, $1,114.75; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $153.65; the envelope system, $2,962.40; subscriptions, $9 079.81; Women's Guilds, $1,824.30; special from two Sunday school classes, $146; income from investments, $7; the Sunday school, $149.96, (including on hand at last report, $11.17); other sources, $992.53. Total, $16,710.35.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $153.65; for the rector's salary, (paid to June 1, 1895), $1,800; for other salaries, $1,355; for insurance, $266.05 ;for repairs on the church and rectory, $156.88; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $792.92; for sundry objects, by Woman's Guild, $146 71; the increase and improvement of church property, (completion of parish house building), $8,895.96; furnishing parish house, $1,876.67; by the Sunday school, for text books, leaflets, etc., $90.77.

Total for Parochial Objects, $15,534 61.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $300; assessment of the convention, $216.65; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $31.94; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $10; Bishop's Trust Fund, $24 36. Total for Diocesan Objects, $582.95.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $30; foreign missions, $30; education for the ministry, $20.31; societies for conversion of the Jews, $11.11; American Church Building Fund commission, $38.10; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $178.98; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $50.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $358.50.

Total of Disbursements, $16,476.06.

Balance in hand, (general fund, $189 15; Woman's Guild, $35.95; Sunday school, $9 19). Total $234.29.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $50,000; chapel, $800; parish house, $37,000; rectory $6,000; sexton's house, $2,000; investments for rector's salary endowment fund, $218.75; total, $96,018.75. Indebtedness, floating, $2,000. Salary of the rector, $1,800 and rectory. Insurance, on the church organ, etc., $20,000; rectory, $2,000; sexton's house, $1,000; parish house, $15,000; chapel, $700; total, $38,700. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 700; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, pages 95-121-125.

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Grace Church, Ludington, County of Mason, 1873.

Rectorship Vacant.
Ralph Johnson, Lay Reader.
H. D. Lindsley, E. J. Brown, Wardens.
F. Johnson, Secretary.
John Hounsell, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Baptized during the year, infants, 5; total, 5. Communicants last reported, 61. Holy communion, public, 8. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

Subscriptions, $18.33; Women's Guilds, $72.50. Total, $90.83.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For Insurance, $13.00; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $21.35.

Total for Parochial Objects, $34.35.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, arrears paid, $39.09, $55.50. Total for Diocese Objects, $55.50.

Total of Disbursements, $89 85.

Balance in hand, .98.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000. Insurance, on the church, $2,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, 150. Bishop's address, page 95.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Carl G. Oppen, D. D., gave services in this parish on Sundays and week days part of the year.

Holy Trinity Church, Manistee, Co. of Manistee, 1888.

The Rev. Thomas Hines, Rector, (1891).
Ellsworth S. Ellis, M. D., Thomas Smurthwaite, Wardens.
Dr. J. L. Sweetnam, Secretary.
Thomas Smurthwaite, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, family, 74; adults, 180; children, 160; total, 340. Of these, baptized persons, 325; baptized during the year, infants, 36; adults, 9; total, 45. Confirmed during the year, 38. Communicants last reported, 135; admitted, 38; received, 12; total added, 50. Died, 1; removed, 11; dropped, 13; total lost, 25. Present number male, 62; present number female, 98; total, 160. Marriages, 3. Burials, 15. Public services, Sundays, 153; holy days, 30; week days, 100; total, 283. Holy communion, public, 116; private, 5. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and officers, female, 4; total, 8. Pupils, male, 35; pupils, female, 45; total, 80; average attendance, 55. Catechising, number of times, 30. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 50. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Names of Parochial societies: Woman's Auxiliary, Brotherhood St. Andrew, St. Andrew's Cadets, Daughters of the King. Have held missionary services in Ludington, 4 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $442.35; subscriptions, $687.33; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $203.32; other sources, $26.10.

Total, $1,359.10.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, (paid to June 1), $823.20; for insurance, $20; for repairs on the church and rectory, $68.44; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, including $210 interest on debt, $360.07. Total for Parochial Objects, $1,271.71.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $53.22; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $9.30; Bishop's Trust Fund, $14.32. Total for Diocesan Objects, $76.84.

For objects exterior to to the Diocese—Societies for the conversion of Jews, $5 80. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $5.80.

Total of Disbursements, $1,354.35.

Balance in hand, $4.75.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $9,000; rectory, $1,400. Indebtedness, floating, $200; (of this, missionary pledges, $20); secured, $4,000. Salary of the rector, $850 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $3,500; rectory, $1,000. Capacity of the church, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page 126.

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REMARKS.

$25, contributed by the Woman's Auxiliary, does not appear in the above.

Trinity Church, Marshall, County of Calhoun, 1834.

The Rev. Sidney Beckwith, Rector, (1894)
James M. Parsons, George Perrett, Wardens.
James M. Parsons, Secretary.
W. J. Dibble, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 100. Baptized during the year, infants, 12; adults, 13; total, 25. Confirmed during the year, 16. Communicants last reported, 154; admitted, 12; received, 2; total added, 13. Died, 4; removed, 3; total lost, 7. Present number, male and female, 160. Marriages, 6. Burials, 14. Public services, Sundays, 114; holy days, 10; week days, 45; total, 169. Holy communion, public, 22; private, 6. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 9; total, 12. Pupils, male, 35; female, 60; total, 95; average attendance, 75. Subscribers to Church Helper, 9.

FINANCIAL REPORT. Easter 1894 to Easter 1895.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $246.67; from the offertory, $240.72; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $22.93; the envelope system, $1,232.40; subscriptions, $20.13; individual gifts, $15.00; ladies aid society, $82.00; income from investments, $394.52; the sunday school, $119.96; other sources, $65.82; mortgage paid, $300.00;

Total, $2,740.25.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $22.93; for the rectory's salary, (paid 10 months to May 1), 833.00; for other salaries, $168.71; for insurance, $101.50; for repairs on the church and rectory, $112.53; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $263.14; the increase and improvement of church property, $144.67; the poor of the parish, $28.55; by the Sunday school, for its own expenses, $34.40.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,709 43.

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For objects within the diocese—Diocesan missions, $99.61; assessment of the convention, $69 49; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $19 94; Bishop's Trust Fund, $20 05; by the Sunday school, for Bishop's penny fund, $10. Total for Diocesan Objects, $219.09.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $16.74; societies for the conversion of Jews, $5.02; American Church Building Fund commission, $2.25; by the Sunday school, for Bishop Gillespie's scholarship, $5; by the Sunday school, for Cummings school, $5; by the Sunday school, for Chinese orphanage, $3; by the Sunday school, for school Cape Palmas, $20; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $45.67.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $102 68.

Total of Disbursements, $2,031.20.

Balance in hand, $709 05.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $12,000; rectory, $3,400. Salary of the rector, $1,000 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $8,500; rectory, $2,600; other property, $200; total, $11,300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 450; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, pages 122–125.

St. Paul's Church, Muskegon, County of Muskegon, 1867.

The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, Rector, (1891).
Elbridge G. Rote, Wm. K. Gordon, Wardens.
Hugh Park, Secretary.
James H. Smith, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 136; adults, 325; children, 204; total, 529 Of these, baptized persons, 456; baptized during the year, infants, 5; adults, 3; total, 8. Confirmed persons in the parish, 211; confirmed during the year, 12. Communicants last reported, 190; admitted, 14; received, 4; total added, 18. Removed 6; total lost, 6. Present number male, 54; present number female, 148; total, 202. Marriages, 8. Burials, 10. Public services, Sundays, 144; holy days, 35; week days, 43; total, 222. Holy Communion, public, 77; private, 4. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 4; teachers and officers, female, 7; total, 11. Pupils, male, 48; pupils, female, 70; total, 118;

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average attendance, 69. Catechising, number of times, 40. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies Society, Altar Guild, Young People's Society, St. Andrew's Brotherhood. Have held missionary services 112 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $4.31; from the offertory, $350.46; alms a Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $40.54; pew rents, $1,752.89; Women's Guilds, $380.03; men's Guilds, $51.21; Altar Guilds, $24.03; sewing school, $53.85; the Sunday school, $42.56. Total, $2,699.88.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish, Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $40.54; for the rector's salary, (paid to April 1,) $1,125; for other salaries, $250; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $171.72; music, $60.22; the increase and improvement of church property, $78.25; paid on indebtedness, $365.30; sewing school, (charity), $39.11; Altar Guild, $22.95; by the Sunday school, for its maintenance, $22.51. Total for Parochial Objects, $2,175.60.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $79.48; assessment of the convention, (arrears paid, $96.55), $205.14; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $4.80; Bishop's Trust Fund, $9.21.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $298.63.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $4.36; foreign missions, $4.46; societies for the conversion of Jews, $4.51; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $15.28.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $28.61.

Total of Disbursements, $2,502.84.

Balance in hand, $197.04.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $60,000; real estate, $6,000; total, $66.000. Indebtedness, floating, $28,000. Salary of the rector, $1,350 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $10,000; rectory, $5,000; other property, $3,700; total, $18,700. Capacity of the church building, whole number sittings, 750; of these, free, 400; rented, 350. Bishop's address pages 117, 122, 127.

Trinity Church, Niles, County of Berrien, 1834.

The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, Rector, (1889.)
Jno. H. Richardson, Lewis H. Beeson, Wardens.

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Lewis H. Beeson, Secretary.
Wm. Hutton, Treasurer.
Lewis H. Beeson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 144; adults, 277; children, 141; total, 418. Baptized during the year, infants, 21; adults, 12; total, 33. confirmed persons in parish, 250; confirmed during the year, 31; communicants last reported 246; admited, 31; total added, 31. Died, 10. Removed, 7. Not found, 10; total lost, 27. Present number of male, 72; present number female, 178; total, 250. Marriages, 8. Burials, 19. Public services, Sundays, 94; holy days, 12; week days, 78; total, 184. Holy communion, public, 66; private, 5. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 12; total, 15. Pupils, male, 51; female, 100; total, 151. Average attendance, 92. Catechising, Number of times, 19. Number volumes, S. S. library, 200. Subscribers to Church Helper, 16. Names of Parochial societies: The Parish Guild, Daughters of the King, Helping Hand, St. Mary's Guild, St. Margaret's Guild, St. Elizabeth's Guild, Woman's Auxiliary, Altar Guild, St. Martin's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $20.68; from the offertory, $346.31; pew rents, $868.04; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $25.00; Women's Guilds, $422.24; other sources, $114.10.

Total, $1,796.37.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, (paid to March 15, 1895), $980.00; for other salaries, $220.61; for insurance, $68.00; for repairs on the church and rectory, 27; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $148.81; paid on indebtedness, $195.87.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,640.29.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $30.00; assessment of the convention, $86.04; Woman's auxiliary, aid in the diocese, $5.00. Total for Diocesan Objects, $121.04.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's auxiliary aid, $10.00; By the Sunday school, for foreign and domestic missions, $25.00.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $35.00.

Total of Disbursements, $1,796.33.

Balance in hand, $ .04.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $15,000; rectory, $3,000; total, $18,000. Indebtedness floating, $1,200, (of this, due the diocese on assessment, $84.20; missionary pledges, $39.80.) Salary of the rector, $1,200 and rectory, Insurance, on the church, $5,000; rectory, $2,000; other property, $1,000; total, $8,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 500; of these, free, 225; rented, 275.
Bishop's address, page——

Trinity Church, Saranac, County of Ionia, 1860.

REMARKS.

The building remains shattered by lightning and decaying. It tells a sad tale of decline, which once might have been averted.

All Saints' Church, Saugatuck, County of Allegan, 1868.

Rectorship vacant.
A. B. Taylor, John Priest, Wardens.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 30; adults, 75; children, 35; total, 110. Of these, baptized persons, 100. Confirmed persons in the parish, 42. Present number male, 4; present number female, 16; total, 20. Subscribers to Church Helper, 1.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000. Insurance, on the church, $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page ——

REMARKS.

No services have been held during the year. The communicant list remains as last year. No deaths, removals or additions. Sincerely hope that brighter days may yet dawn for us. The foregoing report is from last year's JOURNAL.

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Trinity Church, Three Rivers, County of St. Joseph, 1873.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
C. E. Jameson, Lay Reader.
Mrs. S. M. Constantine, President of the Guild.
Mrs. Chas. Mowrer, Secretary.
Mrs. G. G. Armitage, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 18; adults, 25; children, 8; total, 33. Confirmed persons in the parish, 19. Communicants last reported, 18. Present number female, 18. Public services, Sundays, 8. Holy communion, public, 4. Subscribers to Church Helper, 5.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $40.87; subscriptions, $37.00; Women's Guilds, $67.92. Total, $145.79.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For insurance $10; for repairs and current expenses, $26.76; other expenses of parish maintenance, $14.40; to Mr. C. R. Stearns, Lay Reader, $45; the increase of church property, (an organ), $20. Total for Parochial Objects, $116.16.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $13.69; assessment of the convention, $3.50. Total for Diocesan Objects, $17.19.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $1.02.
Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $1.02.
Total of Disbursements, $134.37.
Balance in hand, $11.42.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church. $1,000, Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; all free. Bishop's address, page 98.

Grace Church, Traverse City, County of Grand Traverse, 1877.

The Rev. Albert E. Wells, Rector, (1892).
Elvin L. Sprague, Wm. D. Turner, Wardens.
H. C. Davis, Secretary.

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George B. Blue, Treasurer.

Rev. Albert E. Wells, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 35; adults, 82; children, 32; total, 114. Of these, baptized persons, 89; baptized during the year, infants, 10; adults, 1; total, 11. Confirmed persons in the parish, 47; confirmed during the year, 6. Communicants last reported, 30; admitted, 6; received, 8; total added, 14. Died, 1; removed, 2; dropped, 3; total lost, 6. Present number male, 6; present number female, 32; total, 38. Marriages, 2. Burials, 9. Public services, Sundays, 102; holy days, 21; week days, 30; total, 153. Holy Communion, public, 27; private, 2. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 2; total, 3. Pupils, male, 6; pupils, female, 12; total. 18; average attendance, 12. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 200. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Guild, Willing Workers. Have held missionary services in Sherman, once.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $170.68; the envelope system, $195; Women's Guilds, $118. Total, $483.68.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For rector's salary, $332.38; for insurance, $10; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $100; by the Sunday school, $8. Total for parochial objects, $450.38.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10.30; assessment of the convention, $3; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $4. Total for Diocesan Objects, $17.30.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $10; missions for colored people, $2.50; missions for Indians, $2.50; Church Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews, $1.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $16.

Total of Disbursements, $483.68.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000. Indebtedness, floating, $183; (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $183). Insurance, on the church, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 175; of these, free, 175. Bishop's address, page 123.

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REMARKS.

I have visited the neighboring towns, and villages of Frankfort, where we have six communicants; Sherman, where we have ten; Northport, where we have four. I have learned of several others living in or near the villages of Old Mission, Bartlett, Platte, Leland and Sutton's Bay, whom, as yet, I have not been able to reach.

Grace Church, Union City, County of Branch, 1864.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
T. Baker, M. D., Geo. Styles, Wardens.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 8; adults, 23; children, 4; total, 27. Communicants last reported, 19; received, 3; total added, 3. Died, 2; dropped, 2; total lost 4. Present number male, 4; present number female, 14; total, 18. Public services, Sundays, 6. Holy Communion, public, 3; private, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $24 28.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Diocese— Diocesan missions, $20.70.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $20.70.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $2.57; domestic missions, $1.01.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $3.58.

Total of Disbursements, $24.28.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,800. Insurance, on the church, $1,500.

St. Matthew's Mission, Baldwin, County of Lake, 1879.

General Missionary in Charge.
R. J. Matthews in charge of the property.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 6; adults, 14; children, 10; total, 24. Of

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these, baptized persons, 18. Confirmed persons in the parish, 8. Communicants last reported, 7.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $400; rectory, $200; investments, $99.40; total, $699.40. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 40; of these, free, 40. Bishop's address, page ——

REMARKS.

The rectory brings in a small income from rent.

Holy Trinity Church, Benton Harbor, County of Berrien, 1882.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Rector, (1892).
Geo. Falkingham, Warden.
Mrs. D. C. Morrison, Secretary.
James Pound, Treasurer.
Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 54; adults, 124; children, 48; total, 172. Of these, baptized persons, 139; baptized during the year, infants, 9; total, 9. Confirmed persons in the parish, 116; confirmed during the year, 9. Communicants last reported, 95; admitted, 9; received, 13; total added, 22. Died, 1; removed, 10; dropped, 5; total lost, 16. Present number male, 34; present number female, 67; total, 101. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 104; holy days, 13; week days, 43; total, 160. Holy Communion, public, 20; private, 2; Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 6; total, 7. Pupils, male, 18; pupils, female, 27; total, 45; average attendance, 30. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of volumes, S. S., 200. Names of Parochial societies: Guild of the Holy Trinity, St. Agnes' Guild, Boys' Dep't of Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $56.45; from the offertory, $157.40; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $14.29; subscriptions, $400.60; individual gifts, $25; Women's Guilds, $104.28; the Sunday school, $27.21. Total, $785.23.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $14.29; for the rector's salary, (paid to May 1st), $470; for other salaries, $52; for insurance, $22.50; Parochial endowment, $1.57; the increase and improvement of church prorperty, $44.32; organ fund, $25; for the Sunday school, $16.77.

Total for Parochial objects, $646.45.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention' $25.47; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $3 21; Bishop's Trust Fund, $7.60. Total for Diocesan Objects, $36.28.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $3.34; foreign missions, $3 81; societies for the conversion of Jews, $1.05: American Church Building Fund commission, $67; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $9 48.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese. $18 35.

Total of Disbursements, $701.08.

Balance in hand, $84.15.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500. Salary of the rector, $600. Insurance, on the church, $1,300. Capacity of the church building, 200; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page 123.

S. James' Church, Cassopolis, County of Cass, 1891.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
Willis D. Hopkins, Warden.
Mrs. E. D. Bennett, Secretary.
John B. Boyd, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families and parts, 13; adults, 22; children, 12; total, 34. Of these, baptized persons, 29; baptized during the year, infants, 1; adults, 2; total, 3. Communicants last reported, 17; received, 2. Removed, 4. Present number males, 4; present number female, 11; total, 15. Public services, Sundays, 9. Holy Communion, public, 4. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $2.98; from the offertory, $5.71; subscriptions, $1.60; Women's Guilds $34.99. Total, $45.28.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Expenses of parish maintenance, $33.65. Total for Parochial Objects, $33.65.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $4.14; assessment of the convention, $5.52. Total for Diocesan Objects, $9.66.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $1.57.
Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $1.57.
Total of Disbursements, $44.88.
Balance in hand, $ .40.

Bishop's address, page——

S. Matthias' Church, Central Lake, County of Antrim, 1893.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Missionary.
Albert Dillman, Warden.
Mrs. Eva Savage, Secretary.
Nelson F. Updegrove, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 50; children, 10; total, 60. Of these, baptized persons, 25; baptized during the year, adults, 3; total, 3. Confirmed during the year, 3. Communicants last reported, 9; admitted, 3; total added, 3. Present number male, 7; present number female, 7; total, 14. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1. Public services, week days, 28; total, 28. Holy Communion, public, 2. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3. Names of Parochial societies: Women's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $27.98; from the offertory, $60.87; subscriptions, $307.50; Women's Guilds, $28.98; from sale of lot, $20; other sources, (loan), $300. Total, $725.33.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For insurance, $12 50; missionary's traveling expenses, $40; the increase and improvement of church property, $633.75; rent, $10.50. Total for Parochial Objects, $696.75.
Less loan, $396.75.

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For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $12.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $12.

Total of Disbursements, $408.75.

Balance in hand, $17.58.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $800. Indebtedness, missionary pledges, $9.50; secured, $300. Insurance, on the church, $500. Bishop's address, page 126.

REMARKS.

A church building has been erected. It is, however, incomplete. About $200 are needed to complete it.

Christ Church, Charlevoix, County of Charlevoix, 1887.

The Rev. E. W. Jewell, Missionary.

E. H. Green, Warden.

E. H. Green, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 19; adults, 30; children, 42; total, 72. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; total, 1. Confirmed persons in the parish, 36; confirmed during the year, 7. Communicants last reported, 29; admitted, 7; total added, 7. Present number male, 9; present number female, 28; total, 37. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 9; week days, 2; total, 11. Holy Communion, public, 3. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 3; total, 4. Pupils, male, 13; pupils, female, 31; total, 44; average attendance, 28. Subscribers to Church Helper, 7. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $40.14; the Sunday school, $27.51.

Total, $67.65.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For expenses of parish maintenance, $ .23; for the Sunday school, $20.97; by the Sunday school, for missions, $6.54. Total for Parochial Objects, $27.74.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $18.97.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $18.97.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $3.60; for-

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eign missions, $3 60; education for the ministry, $3.60; American Church Building Fund commission, $3.60; by the Sunday school, for missions, $6.54.

Total for Objects exterior to the Diocese, 20.94.
Total of Disbursements, $67.65.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,000. Bishop's address, pages 118–120.

Grace Church, Charlotte, County of Eaton, 1888.

The Rev. M. H. Martin, Rector, (1891), resigned Dec. 1st, 1894.
Albert Ford, Lay Reader.
O. E. Packard, Warden.
W. H. Packard, Secretary.
A. B. Collins, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Families and parts of families, 43; adults, 92; children, 50; total, 142. Of these, baptized persons, 104; baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5. Confirmed persons in the parish, 75. Communicants, last reported, 67; received, 1; total added, 1. Present number male, 23; present number female, 45; total, 68. Marriages, 1. Public services, Sundays, 34; holy days, 4; week days, 2; total, 40. Holy Communion, public, 6; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 6; total, 8. Pupils, male, 12; pupils, female, 26; total, 38; average attendance, 30. Catechising, number of times, 6. Number of volumes, parish library, 20; S. S. library, 175. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Society, Children's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $51.83; from the offertory, $37.28; the envelope system, $379.27; Women's Guilds, $87.45; the Sunday school, $25; other sources, $4.51. Total, $585.34.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—for the rector's salary, (paid to Rev. M. H. Martin, $442.91; to Rev. W. P. Law, 17.20), for other salaries, $145; for repairs on the church and rectory, $50; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $31.78. Total for Parochial objects, $686.89.

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For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, (arrears paid, $29 30), $72.45. Total for Diocesan Objects, $72 45.
Total of Disbursements, $759.34.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500. including furniture; total, $3.500. Indebtedness, floating, $180. Insurance, on the church, $1,600; other property, $600; total, $2,200. Bishop's address, page 122.

REMARKS.

The parish has been vacant since Rev. M. H. Martin resigned.

Epiphany Church, Coopersville, County of Kent, 1877.

The Rev. L. C. Rogers in charge.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Communicants reported, 1.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $500. Bishop's address, page——

REMARKS.

No services during the year. The Mission is placed in charge of the Rector of Grand Haven for such attention as he can give it. Only one or two churchmen are left in the village. The building needs a foundation and painting.

Church of the Redeemer, East Jordan, County of Charlevoix, 1887.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, Rector, (1893).
C. H. Whittington, Warden.
Mrs. George Bowen, Secretary.
Mrs. H. Vanorden, Treasurer.
C. H. Whittington, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 14; adults, 44; children, 16; total, 60. Of these, baptized persons, 46; baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5. Confirmed persons in the parish, 24; confirmed during the year, 5; Communicants last reported, 20; admitted, 5; total added, 5. Removed, 1; total lost, 1. Present number male, 8;

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present number female, 16; total, 24; Marriages, 1; Burials, 4; Public services, Sundays, 23; holy days, 1; week days, 1; total, 25. Holy Communion, public, 9. Have held missionary services in Vance school house 4 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $6.90; from the offertory, $19.07; subscriptions, $98.76; individual gifts, $8.50; Women's Guilds, $30.20; other sources, $26.90. Total, $190.24.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish--For interest on debt, $11.30; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $18.98; the increase and improvement of church property, $89.41.

Total for parochial objects, $119.69.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions,(arrears, $5.92 for 1894 and 1895, $50.00), $55.92; assessment of the convention, $ .87; Bishop's trust fund, $1.00. Total for Diocesan objects, $57.79.

Total of Disbursements, $177.48.

Balance in hand, $21.76.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1589.41. Indebtedness, floating, $157.82; (Missionary pledges, $25.00). Insurance, on the church, $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 78; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page 118.

S. John's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1895.

The Rev. John Brewster Hubbs, Rector, (1891).
The Rev. A Reeves, Assistant Minister.
Thomas Harwood, Warden.
William Morse, Secretary.
Wilber W. Smith, Treasurer.
Carl Crissy, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 30. Baptized during the year, infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Confirmed during the year, 7. Communicants last reported, 25; total, 25. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 100; week days, 40; total, 140. Holy Communion, public, 13. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers,

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female, 13; total, 16. Total, pupils, 95; average attendance 65. Names of parochial Societies: Ladies' Society, Young People's Society, Altar Guild, Men's Society.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $112.12; the envelope system, $67.87; Women's Guilds, $40; the Sunday school, 44.13. Total, $264.12.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to June 1st), $74.90; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $105.11; by the Sunday school, for its work, $44.13.

Total for parochial objects, $224.14.
Total of Disbursements, $224.14.
Balance in hand, $39.98.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500. Indebtedness secured, $2,650. Salary of the Assistant, $75. Insurance, on the church, $2800. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, pages 122–127.

S. Matthew's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1892.

M. C. Burch, Lay Reader.
W. H. Meech, Warden.
William Booth, Secretary.
Mrs. J. H. Horton, Treasurer.
Mrs. J. H. Horton, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 28; adults, 43; children, 25; total, 68. Of these, baptized persons, 68; baptized during the year, infants, 8; total, 8. Confirmed persons in the parish, 49. Communicants last reported, 30; received, 11; total added, 11. Died, 3; removed, 7; total lost, 10. Present number male, 22; present number female, 46; total, 68. Public services, Sundays, 52; holy days, 1; week days, 5; total, 58. Holy Communion, public, 5; private, 2. Sunday school, teachers and and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 4; total, 6. Pupils, male, 26; pupils, female, 41; total, 67. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 78. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2. Names of Parochial Societies: Helping Hand, Unity Club, Young People's Meeting.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $44.28; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $4.75; the envelope system, $39.37; individul gifts, $50; Women's Guilds, $70.11; the Sunday school, $35.23.

Total, $243,74.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For repairs on the church, $70.07; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $101.77; the increase and improvement of church property, (donated), $36.45; for the Sunday school, $22.92. Total for Parochial Objects, $231.21.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, (arrears paid, $2.03,) $2.03. Total for Diocesan Objects, $2.03.

Total of Disbursements, $233.24.

Balance in hand, $36.67.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000. Indebtedness, secured, $1,320. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; total, $1,5000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page 119.

S. Beda's Deaf Mute Mission, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1893.

The Rev. A. W. Mann, Missionary, (1893).
John E. Nash, Lay Reader.
Chas. A. Gumaer, Warden.
Mrs. Abbie Mosher, Secretary.
Frank Mosher, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 8; adults, 23; children, 18; total, 41. Of these, baptized persons, 37. Confirmed persons in the parish, 12. Communicants last reported, 14; received, 2; total added, 2. Removed, 4; total lost, 4, Present number male, 6; present number female, 6; total, 12. Marriages, (by Dr. Fair), 1. Public services on Sundays, holy days and week days, 54. Holy Communion, public, 3. Subscribers to Church Helper, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $6.33; from the offertory, $20.52; subscriptions, $7.50; other sources, $2.89. Total, $37.24.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For all expenses of parish maintenance, $13.60. Total for Parochial Objects, $13.60.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $3.93; assessment of the convention, $1; services for deaf mutes, $8 70; increase of ministry, $ .72. Total for Diocesan Objects, $14.35.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $4.03.
Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $4.03.
Total of Disbursements, $31.98.
Balance in hand, $5.26.

Bishop's address, page 102.

REMARKS.

No property. No indebtedness. Services are held in a room in St. Mark's church, Sunday morning, through the kindness of its rector.

S. Paul's Church, Greenville, County of Montcalm, 1881.

The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, Ph. D., in charge.
John Avery, Warden.
John Lewis, Secretary.
Jesse Church, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 23; adults, 36; children, 24; total, 60. Confirmed persons in the parish, 39. Present number male, 9; present number female, 30; total, 39.

No financial report.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,200. Insurance on the church, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, 150.

REMARKS.

(NOTE—The secretary has taken the foregoing items from last last year's report.)

S. John's Church, Harbor Springs, County of Emmet, 1883.

The Rt. Rev. D. S. Tuttle, D. D., in charge, during the summer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Public services, Sundays, 9. Holy Communion, public, 4.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $115.56.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For services of clergy, $45; for music, $5.25; for repairs on the church, $13.50; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $4.70; for prayer books and hymnals, $25.10.

Total for Parochial Objects, $93.55.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $22.01.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $22.01.

Total of Disbursements, $115.56.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000. Insurance, on the church, $2,000. Capacity of the church, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, 200. Bishop's address, page 98.

REMARKS.

This is a summer congregation. The resorters fill the church. Very few church people are found in the place.

S. Michael and All Angels' Church, Manistee, County of Manistee, 1894.

The Rev. Carl E. G. Oppen, lately in charge.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Baptized during the year, 8. Marriages, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $182.94.

Total of Disbursements, $182.94.

REMARKS.

The undersigned begs to report that during the past conciliar year and ending on Easter day he continued to hold the services of the church in German at the church of the Holy Trinity and assisted regularly in our English services. The reports of baptisms, marriages, funerals, celebrations of Holy Communion up to January 6th, 1895 are incorporated in the rector's report.

St. Michael and All Angels' mission having been authorized that date, the services continued in the same order and at the same place,

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and I have to report four celebrations of Holy Communion, eight baptisms and one marriage since January 6th, 1895.

The offerings of the mission from February, 1894 to Easter day, 1895 were $182.94. Aside of this $10.00 were received from Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., rector of St. Mark's, Grand Rapids.

CARL E. OPPEN.

S. Luke's Church, Muskegon, County of Muskegon, 1890.

The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, Rector, (1893).
Alfred Bullock, Lay Reader.
Alfred Bullock, Warden.
Miss Sarah Mee, Secretary.
Mrs. Adam Pyle, Treasurer.
Alfred Bullock, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 26; adults, 59; Children, 71; total, 146. Of these, baptized persons, 99; baptized during the year, infants, 4; total, 4. Confirmed persons in the parish, 40; confirmed during the year, 1. Communicants, last reported, 35; admitted, 1; total added, 1. Removed, 1; total lost, 1. Present number male, 9; present number female, 26; total, 35. Marriages, 1; burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 56; holy days, 4; week days, 52; total, 112. Holy Communion, public, 18; private, 3. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 7; total, 10. Pupils, male, 34; pupils, female, 46; total, 82; average attendance, 53. Catechising, number of times, 10. Names of Parochial societies: Young People Society, Literary Society, Choir Guild, Women's Society.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $5.01; from the offertory, $15.84; subscriptions, $23.34; Women's Guilds, $44.16; Children's Guilds, $10.00; the Sunday school, $27.73; other sources, $27.00. Total, $153.08.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For all other expenses of parish maintenance, $16.90; the increase and improvement of church property, $22.48; paid on indebtedness, (amount due at last convention, $325.00), 25.00; by the Sunday school, for its maintenance, $24.76.

Total for parochial objects, $89.14.

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For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $50.48. Assessment of the convention, $4.92; Bishop's trust fund, $1.00.

Total for Diocesan objects, $56.40.
Total of Disbursements, $145.54.
Balance in hand, $7.54.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1500.00. Indebtedness secured, $300.00. Insurance, on the church, $400.00. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 125; of these, free, all free. Bishop's address, pages 117–127.

S. Paul's Church, Mendon, County of S. Joseph, 1867.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
Edwin Stuart, M. D., E. N. King, (P. O. Leonidas) Wardens.
I. J. McClellan, Secretary.
Levi Cole, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, (one in Colon and one in Leonidas), 9; adults, 19; children, 8; total, 27. Of these, baptized persons, 26; baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the parish, 15; Communicants, last reported, 15. Present number male, 3; present number female, 12; total, 15. Public services, Sundays, 4. Holy Communion, public, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $3.79.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Janitor's fee, $ .50.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $3.29.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $3.29.
Total of Disbursements, $3.29.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $455. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; free, all. Bishop's address, page 96.

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REMARKS.

The valuation given above is the actual cost of the property at private sale. The title is now in the "Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan." Of the purchase price, $275 was supplied by a loan from the Rectory Building Fund, and $180 advanced by the writer. "It is not business," from the business man's point of view, but there seemed no other way to save the Diocese and the Parish from the shame of "missing the opportunity."

S. John's Church, Mt. Pleasant, County of Isabella, 1886.

The Rev. Wm. Westover, M.
Chester Kellogg, Secretary.
Mrs. Sarah C. Hance, Treasurer.
Rev. William Westover, Superintendent of the Sunday school.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 45; adults, 86; children, 53; total, 139. Of these, baptized persons, 135; baptized during the year, infants, 5; adults, 4; total, 9. Confirmed persons in the parish, 70; confirmed during the year, 5. Communicants last reported, 60; admitted, 5; received, 1; total added, 6. Dropped, 3; total lost, 3. Present number male, 8; present number female, 55; total, 63. Marriages, 2. Burials, 7. Public services, Sundays, 106, holy days, 21; week days, 27; total, 154. Holy Communion, public, 16. Sunday school, teachers and officers, female, 8; total, 8. Pupils, male, 22; pupils, female, 29; total, 51; average attendance, 35. Catechising, number of times, 40. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 60. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Guild, Boys' Club, St. Cecilia Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $64.86; the envelope system, $182.28; subscriptions, $182.28; individual gifts, $5; Women's Guilds, $60.45; Children's Guilds, $14; the Sunday school, $15.87; other sources, $24.51;

Total, $549.25.

For insurance, $18. Total, $567 25.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For rector's salary, (paid to June 1, 1895), $364.56; for other salaries, $45.41; for insurance, $18; for all

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other expenses of parish maintenance, $9.50; the increase and improvement of church property, $2.50; paid on indebtedness, (am't due at last convention, $3.75), $40; for Sunday school, $5; for the Sunday school, $22.21; by the Sunday school, for catechisms, $6 42; by the Sunday school, for S. S. papers. $5.62.

Total for Parochial Objects, $519.22.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $15; assessment of the convention, $12.48; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $ .95; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.13.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $32.56.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $ .84; by the Sunday school, for domestic missions $6.41.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $7.25.

Total of Disbursements, $559.03.

Balance in hand, $8.22.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000; rectory, $1,800. Indebtedness, (missionary pledges, $10). Salary of the rector, $500 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; rectory, $1,200; total, $2,700. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, 150. Bishop's address, page 124.

S. Mark's Church, Newaygo, County of Newaygo. 1876.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894).
E. S. Bennett, Warden.
R. D. Miller, Secretary.
Lewis J. Thompson, Treasurer.
E. S. Bennett, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 36; adults, 60; children, 40; total, 100. Of these, baptized persons, 75; baptized during the year, infants, 4; total, 4. Confirmed persons in the parish, 45. Communicants last reported, 42. Dropped, 2; total lost, 2. Present number male, 10; present number female, 30; total, 40. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 27; holy days, 3; week days, 5; total, 35. Holy Communion, public, 10. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 5; total, 7. Pupils, male and female,

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total 75; average attendance, 55. Catechising, number of times, 2, Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Names of Parochial societies: St. Mark's Guild, Young People's League.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $15; Women's Guilds, $125; the Sunday school, $30; other sources, $24.84. Total, 193.84.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, (paid to Mar. 1, 1895), $112.50; for insurance, $27.75; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $22.55; by the Sunday school, for papers, etc., $10.

Total for Parochial Objects, $172.85.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $8.65; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.84.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $10.49.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book societies, $2.10; by the Sunday school, for Domestic and Foreign Missionary society, $6.

For Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $10.60.

Total of Disbursements, $193 84.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church and lot, $4,000. Indebtedness, floating, $37.50; (of this, missionary pledges, $37.50.) Insurance, on the church, $2,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page——

S. Mark's Church, Paw Paw, County of Van Buren, 1891.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 26; children, 4; total, 30. Baptized during the year, infants, 2. Communicants last reported, 17. Present number male, 3; present number female, 14; total, 17. Public services, Sundays, 6. Holy Communion, public, 3. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $9.01; individual gifts, $10. Total, $19.01.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For repairs on the church, $10.
Total for Parochial Objects, $10.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $6.41.
Total for Diocesan Objects, $6.41.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $2.60.
Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $2.60.
Total of Disbursements, $19.01.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,000. Bishop's address, page 119.

Emmanuel Church, Petoskey, County of Emmet, 1887.

The Rev. E. W. Jewell, M.
Philip Middleditch, Warden.
C. E. Churchill, Secretary.
M. E. Brackett, Treasurer.
R. G. Trask, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 54; adults, 114; children, 68; total, 182. Of these, baptized persons, 163; baptized during the year, infants, 16; adults, 4; total, 20. Confirmed persons in the parish, 85. Communicants last reported, 97; admitted, 1; received, 3; total added, 4. Removed, 12; total lost, 12. Present number male, 16; present number female, 69; total, 85. Marriage, 9. Public services, Sundays, 128; holy days, 23; week days, 70; total, 221. Holy Communion, public, 70; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 5; total, 8. Pupils, male, 30; pupils, female, 38; total, 68; average attendance, 45. Catechising, number of times, 40. Number of volumes, parish library, 30; S. S. library, 150. Subscribers to Church Helper, 7. Names of Parochial societies: Woman's Guild, Woman's Auxiliary Aid, Junior Auxiliary. Have held missionary services in Charlevoix, two times; Harbor Springs, once.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $242.29; the envelope system, $371.28; subscriptions, $389.22; Women's Guilds, $74.17; the Sunday school, $36.96; other sources, $8.13. Total, $1,122.05.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $403.85; for other salaries, $81; for insurance, $35; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $26.75; the increase and improvement of church property, $50.09; paid on indebtedness, $436.88; by the Sunday school, for books and papers, $15. Total for Parochial Objects, $1,048.57.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $5; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.80.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $7.80.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Bible and Common Prayer Book societies, $2.21; societies for the conversion of Jews, $ .62; American Church Building Fund commission, $2.50; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $21.96.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $27.29.

Total of Disbursements, $1,083 66.

Balance in hand, $38.39.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $5.000; chapel, $1,200; total, $6,200. Indebtedness, floating, $322; (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $100; missionary pledges, $25;) secured, $800. Salary of the rector, $700. Insurance, on the church, $2,800; other property, $1,100; total, $3,900. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page 118.

REMARKS.

The actual number of those who have received Holy Communion during the year is less than sixty.

S. James' Church, Pentwater, County of Oceana, 1877.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, M.
S. B. Minshall, Warden.
James Grover, Secretary and Treasurer.
Eben P. S. Miller, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 36; adults, 60; children, 30; total, 90. Of these, baptized persons, 75; baptized during the year, adults, 3; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the parish, 40; confirmed during the year,

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6. Communicants last reported, 31; admitted, 7; total added, 7. Died, 1; total lost, 1. Present number male, 5; present number female, 32; total, 37. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 22; holy days, 4; total, 26. Holy Communion, public, 10. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $20.36. Donations and subscriptions, $83.01; other sources, $18.89. Total, $122.26.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For all expenses of parish maintenance, $25.21. Total for Parochial Objects, $25.21.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $81.10; assessment of the convention, $6.62; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.05.
Total for Diocesan Objects, $90.77.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $1.85; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $4.
Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $1.85.
Total of Disbursements, $117.83.
Balance in hand, $4.43.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000; rectory, $450; total, $2,450. Indebtedness, secured, $249.87. Insurance, on the church, $1,000; rectory, $300; total, $1,300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 75; of these, free, 75. Bishop's address, page 122.

REMARKS.

This does not include amount raised for S. S. papers nor $4 Lenten offering missions.

During May the church was cleaned and decorated.

As there is now only one resident minister, where before there were three, it would seem to be the Church's opportunity. Mr. S. B. Minshall held one service each Sunday during summer and autumn.

S. James' Church, Sturgis, County of S. Joseph, 1890.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, M.
Henry Purdue, Lay Reader.

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Justin Waite, Warden.
Miss Lulu Hall, Secretary.
Mrs. Chas. B. Munger, Treasurer.
R. B. Ireland, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 25; adults, 45; children, 21; total, 66. Of these, baptized persons, 62; baptized during the year, infants, 5; adults, 5; total, 10. Confirmed persons in the parish, 33; confirmed during the year, 5. Communicants last reported, 33; admitted, 5; total added, 5. Died, 1; removed, 2; not found, 2; total lost, 5. Present number male, 7; present number female, 26; total, 33. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 45; holy days, 8; total, 53. Holy Communion, public, 9; private, 2. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 3; total, 6. Pupils, male, 12; pupils, female, 13; total, 25; average attendance, 18. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $4.48; from the offertory, $80.84; the envelope system, $111.05; individual gifts, $5.85; Women's Guild, $179.69; the Sunday schools, $15.30; other sources, $2.65. Total, 399.86.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—for other salaries, $36.80; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $109 99; paid on indebtedness, (am't due last convention, $156.91), $138.25; for the Sunday school, $9.65; by the Sunday school, for its support, $12.80.

Total for Parochial Objects, $299.16.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $36.91; assessment of the convention, (arrears paid, $18.66,) $35.69; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.23; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.44.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $78.27.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Societies for the conversion of Jews, $1.25; American Church Building Fund commission, $2.51; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $10.83.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $14.59.

Total of Disbursements, $392.02.

Balance in hand, $7.84.

Indebtedness, floating, $10.70. Bishop's address, page 117.

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S. Johannes' Mission, Tustin, County of Osceola, 1872.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
N. Nelson, M. Swanson, Wardens.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 5; adults, 15; children,; 8 total, 23. Communicants, present number male, 4; present number female, 6; total, 10.

No financial report. Bishop's address, page——

REMARKS.

St. John's Church, Tustin, was organized on the 21st day ot March, A. D. 1872, and its Articles of Association received for record at the County Seat, April 1st, 1872. The first report of church work here may be found in the JOURNAL of Mich. for 1872, page 160. (See also pages 173 and 191.)

The Rev. Peter August Almquist reported the number of communicants at that time as "male, 48; female, 28; total, 76." There have been no services the past year, to the writer's knowledge. The English membership of the parish remains the same as last year, and I know of no church people in the Diocese more deserving of practical sympathy. The church edifice is unfit to be used, and they can do nothing for themselves on account of legal complications. It has been impossible to get a missionary competent to use the Swedish tongue, and it is far from certain that, if one could now be had, whether the work could be revived and carried to success.

J. W. B.

Church of the Redeemer, Whitehall, County of Muskegon, 1891.

The Rev. W. P. Law, M, (1894).
Martin De Mass, Warden.
Mrs. George Gardiner, (Montague) Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 21; adults, 25; children, 12; total, 37. Of these, baptized persons, 30; baptized during the year, infants, 5; total, 5. Confirmed persons in the parish, 20. Communicants last reported, 18; admitted, 2; total added, 2. Present number male, 3; preseet number female, 17; total, 20. Public services, Sundays, 22;

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holy days, 3; total, 25. Holy Communion, public, 8. Catechising, number of times, 5. Number of volumes S. S. library, 50. Subscribers to Church Helper, 4. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $4.18; Ladies' Guild, $6.07; from the offertory, $11.86; subscriptions, $16; individual gifts, $12; Women's Guilds, $37.80. Total, $87.91

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $37.50; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $17.61.

Total for Parochial Objects, $55.11.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $5.50; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.10.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $8.60.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $1.15.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $1.15.

Total of Disbursements, $63 71.

Balance in hand, $5.04; Ladies' Guild, $19.16: $24.20.

Insurance, on the church, $1,000. Bishop's address, page 120.

REMARKS.

This does not include $1.15 offering for domestic missions.

On the first Sunday in June services were begun at Montague. The evening service will be held on that side of the lake, as more than half the congregation live in the neighborhood.

Unorganized Mission, Grand Ledge, County of Eaton, 1894.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 11; adults, 29; children, 7; total, 36. Of these, baptized persons, 26; baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 3; total, 5. Confirmed persons in the parish, 15; confirmed during the year, 4; admitted, 4; received, 3; total added, 7. Present number male, 2; present number female, 8; total, 10. Public services.

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Sundays, 8; week days, 3; total, 11. Holy Communion, public, 2 Subscribers to Church Helper, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $7.34. Total, $7.34.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Express on prayer books, .55.
Total for Parochial Objects, .55.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $1.26; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.03. Total for Diocesan Objects, $4.29.
Total of Disbursements, $4.84.

Balance in hand, $2.50, reserved for music books.

REMARKS.

The services have been held in private houses, with encouraging results.

Could we see the way to the purchase of a suitable site, it would insure the building of a church edifice.

S. James' Mission, (unorganized) Luther, County of Lake, 1890.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, General Missionary, (1894).
Charles Barghorn, appointed Warden.

CERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 30; children, 24; total, 54. Of these, baptized persons, 45; baptized during the year, infants, 1; total, 3. Confirmed during the year, 18. Communicants last reported, 25. Not found, 8; total lost, 8. Present number male, 4; present number female, 13; total, 17. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 12; week days, 3; total, 15. Holy Communion, public, 4; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 2; teachers and officers, female, 2; total, 4. Pupils, total, 25; average attendance, 18. Catechising, number of times, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $11.50; individual gifts, $8; the Sunday school, $4.84. Total, $24.34.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For all expenses of parish maintenance, $8; by the Sunday school, $3.

Total for Parochial Objects, $11.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $10.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $1.50; by the Sunday school, for domestic missions, $1.84.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $3.34

Total of Disbursements, $24.34.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $500. Bishop's address, page——

REMARKS.

The Sunday School was re-opened with a churchwoman at the head of it. Since September, Sunday services have been held only once in two months.

Unorganized Mission, Mancelona, County of Antrim, 1895.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894).
E. L. Stewart, Warden by appointment.
Miss Bowman, (Antrim), Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 12; adults, 20; children, 10; total, 30. Of these, baptized persons, 25. Confirmed persons in the parish, 8. Present number male, 3; present number female, 4; total, 7. Public services, Sundays, 3; week days, 3; total, 6. Holy Communion, public, 2. Sunday school, teachers and officers, female, 1. Pupils, total male and female, 10. Catechising, number of times, 2.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $15.35; children's offerings, $4.65. Total, $20.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $15.35.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $15.35.

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For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, (from Duncan children) $4.65.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $4.65.

Total of Disbursements, $20.00

REMARKS.

Services were commenced in Mancelona on New Year's Eve., Communion having been administered, the Sunday previous, at residence of M. M. Duncan, Antrim. There are several candidates for baptism and confirmation, on the next visit of Bishop and Missionary, June 9th.

Mission Church, Reed City, Unorganized, County of Osceola.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Gen. Miss., (1894).

CLERICAL REPORT.

1 Congregation, families, 9; adults, 12; children, 8; total, 20. Of these, baptized persons, 20. Confirmed persons in the parish, 10. Present number male, 1; present number female, 6; total, 7. Public services, holy days, 1; week days, 2; total, 3. Holy Communion, private, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $1.80.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $1.80.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $1.80.

Total of Disbursements, $1.80.

REMARKS.

Services were resumed in April, with a prospect of fair attendance as considerable interest is manifested at present.

S. Stephen's Church, Schoolcraft, County of Kalamazoo.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
Mrs. C. C. Duncan, Pres't Woman's Guild.
Mrs. H. S. Smith, Secretary.
Miss Minnie Monroe, Treasurer.
Mrs. Underwood, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, (including at Vicksburg) 15; adults, 28; children, 8; total, 36. Of these, baptized persons, 33; baptized during the year, adults, 2. Confirmed persons in the parish, 23; confirmed during the year, 2. Communicants last reported, 24; admitted, 2. Removed, 2. Present number female, 24; total, (including 5 at Vicksburg and vicinity) 24. Public services, Sundays, 22; week days, 2; total, 24. Holy Communion, public, 10. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 5; total, 6. Pupils, male, 3; pupils, female, 11; total, 14. Number of volumes S. S. library, 60. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $15.69; subscriptions, $60.37; individual gifts, $4.28; Women's Guilds, $63.35. Total, $153.69.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Current expenses, $25.80; deceased æronaut's family, $2.01; expenses of Mr. Stearns, lay reader, (including donation of $10) $30. Total for Parochial Objects, $57.81.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $90.30; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $1 26; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.15.
Total for Diocesan Objects, $94.71.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $1.17.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.17.
Total of Disbursements, $153.69.
Woman's Guild, balance in hand, $23.36.
Earnings of Woman's Guild, $86.71.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000.

Grace Church, Stanton, County of Montcalm, Unorganized.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary in charge.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 5; adults, 11; children, 7; total, 18. Of these, baptized persons, 17. Confirmed persons in the parish, 9. Communicants, present number male, 1; present number female, 8; total, 9. Public services, Sundays, 2. Holy Communion, public, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $3.64.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $3.64.

Total of Disbursements, $3.64.

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APPENDIX D.

PERSONAL AND OTHER REPORTS

REPORT OF THE REV. J. W. BANCROFT, GENERAL MISSIONARY.

To the Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, S. T. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

Tabular statement of services and offerings:

TOWNS AND PARISHES	Sunday Services.	Week Day Services.	Holy Communion. (Public)	No. of Communions.	No. Confirmed.	Children Baptized.	Adults Baptized.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.	General Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Church Build'g Fund	Missions to Jews.	Diocesan Missions.
Albion, S. James'.....	3	....	1	29	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cassopolis, S. James'....	9	1	4	25	....	1	2	.....	$1 67	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 4 14
Charlotte, Grace.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 12
Grand Ledge.....	8	3	2	14	4	2	3	$3 03	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 26
Homer, Christ.....	1	....	1	12	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ludington, Grace.....	4	....	2	28	....	2	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 96
Luther, S. James'.....	2	....	1	5	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	84
Meadon, Grace.....	4	2	1	9	....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 29
Paw Paw, S. Mark's.....	6	....	3	26	....	2	....	.....	.....	2 60	.....	.....	.....	6 41
Schoolcraft, S. Stephen's	22	2	10	102	2	....	2	3 15	1 26	.....	$1 17	.....	.....	90 30
Stanton.....	2	....	1	7	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 64
Sturgis, S. James'.....	23	7	9	201	5	5	5	3 44	2 23	10 83	.....	$2 51	1 27	31 81
Three Rivers, Trinity...	8	....	4	39	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	1 02	.....	.....	9 36
Union City, Grace.....	6	....	3	24	....	....	....	.....	.....	4 57	1 01	.....	.....	20 70
Totals.....	100	15	42	561	11	14	13	$9 03	$5 06	$18 00	$3 20	$2 51	$1 25	$182 83

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The sums tabulated opposite, amounting to $222.47 have been remitted to their destination. I have been summoned to Charlotte, East Jordan and Rockford for funerals, and solemnized a marriage at Sturgis.

JOSEPH W. BANCROFT.

Hastings, June 3, A. D., 1895.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH HELPER.

To the Board of Missions of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

The income and expenditures of the Church Helper, during the year ending June 3, 1895, have been the following:

June 5, 1894, balance in hand	$ 87 31
From subscribers	221 37
" advertising	4 95
Board of Missions	50 00
Total	$363 63

CONTRA.

Paid for printing	$307 00
Postage, box rent and day book	5 92
June 3, 1895, balance in hand	50 71
	$363 63

J. W. BANCROFT, Managing Editor.

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NUMBER OF SUBSCRIBERS TO THE CHURCH HELPER—1895.

N. B.—The number below may or may not be correct for S. Mark's, Grand Rapids, viz.: 44, to get which I simply deducted the 20 I knew to be not of S. Mark's parish, from the total, 64.

Albion	8	Kalamazoo	37
Allegan	13	Ludington	8
Battle Creek	13	Luther	2
Benton Harbor	8	Marshall	9
Big Rapids	7	Mancelona	1
Belding	1	Mendon	2
Cassopolis	6	Manistee	10
Charlevoix	4	Muskegon, S. Paul's	10
Charlotte	14	" S. Luke's	1
Coldwater	10	Mt. Pleasant	7
Central Lake	4	Montague	1
East Jordan	3	Niles	16
Elk Rapids	7	Newaygo	6
Grand Haven	16	Paw Paw	3
Grand Rapids, (64) Grace	8	Pentwater	6
" " S. Paul's	5	Petoskey	9
" " Trinity	3	Rockford	6
" " S. Beda's	1	Saugatuck	1
" " S. Matthew's	1	Saranac	1
" " Rev. Martin	1	Schoolcraft	8
" " " Reeves	1	Stanton	3
" " S. Mark's	44	Sturgis	8
Greenville	10	Three Rivers	6
Grand Ledge	1	Traverse City	4
Hastings	23	Tustin	2
Holland	5	Union City	7
Homer	9	Vicksburg	4
Howard City	2	Whitehall	
Ionia	15	Quincy	

REPORT OF REV. AUSTIN W. MANN, GENERAL MISSIONARY IN CHARGE OF DEAF MUTE CONGREGATIONS.

During the Conventional year just closed I held Sunday and week day services in S. Beda's Deaf Mute Mission, Chapel of S. Mark's church, Grand Rapids; S. Thomas' church, Battle Creek; and S. John's church, Ionia, with good attendance and encouraging

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expressions of interest in spiritual matters. Two persons came fourteen miles, by sleigh, through the coldest weather, to attend the Battle Creek service. Another came over twenty miles by rail. A couple came ten miles by team to the Ionia service.

The services at Flint have reached those whose homes are in this Diocese. In a few weeks the graduates of the school have their quadriennial reunion, and I expect to attend.

Baptisms, 1 (at Ionia); Confirmations, 2; Holy Communions, 2, Communicants, Grand Rapids, 19; Battle Creek, 4; Charlotte, 2; Union City, 2; Dimondale, 2; Tekonsha, 2; Muskegon, 2; Newaygo, 1; Hastings, 1; Constantine, 1; Vicksburg, 2; Pulaski, 1; Albion, 1; Ionia, 3; total, 43. Mr. John E. Nash, acting under a lay reader's license, has been doing good work in S. Beda's Mission, holding services every Sunday afternoon when the general missionary is not present, and interpreting on occasions for the rector, Dr. Fair.

Outside of Western Michigan, I have officiated at Detroit, Ann Arbor, Jackson, Chicago, Joliet, St. Louis, Kansas City, Indianapolis, Lafayette, Cincinnati, Columbus, Cleveland, Pittsburg, Philadelphia, New York and a number of smaller places. Total Baptisms, 20; Confirmations, 26; Marriages, 4.

Last summer I attended a gathering of English church workers, among deaf mutes, held at Blackburn, about thirty miles north of Liverpool. It was presided over by Bishop Cramer-Roberts, clerical and lay workers from London, Brighton, Birmingham, Manchester, Liverpool, Durham, Carlisle, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Belfast, Dublin, Swansea and other places attended. I gave an account of the work in the Middle Western Dioceses of the United States, and made a brief plea for the ordination of deaf mute men for this special work among their own class.

After the adjournment, I preached in the sign language at St. Saviour's church, Oxford street, London; and at Missions in Liverpool, Blackburn, Belfast, Ballymena, Dublin and Cork. At the latter place, the Irish Church Congress being in session, I was permitted to put in a word in regard to the ordination of deaf mutes.

On the Continent, my travels extended to Rome, Venice, and many other interesting places. At Milan, a somewhat famous school for deaf children was visited. I am satisfied, from what was seen of European schools and their graduates, that America is far ahead in the matter of deaf mute education. Europe has no college like ours at Washington.

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To the kind friends whose help made possible this most interesting and profitable trip, I desire to repeat here my thanks.

Following is a report of receipts during the year:

From Rev. J. W. and Mrs Bancroft	$ 3 00
" Combined service, Ionia	6 23
" " " Battle Creek	4 71
" Mr. and Mrs. Hayes	1 00
" Deaf mute services, Grand Rapids	5 81
Total	$20 75

St. George's Chapel.

(Akeley Institute, Diocesan School for Girls.)

The Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

The chaplain of the Diocesan school for girls respectfully reports as follows:

During the school year, daily services have been held in the chapel, with Holy Communion on Thursday. This latter service is voluntary, and has had an average attendance of fifteen out of twenty-two communicants. On Easter day a chalice and paten of solid silver were presented by the members of the school as a memorial to a former pupil; and, at the same time, a silk veil and burse, in memory of another pupil. Three pupils have been presented to the Bishop for confirmation. The year has been a very pleasant and happy one. The members of the school have contributed to both Diocesan and general church work, as may be seen from the accompanying list of offerings.

RECEIPTS.

From chapel collections, personal gifts— from all sources	$134 97

EXPENDITURES.

Chapel chairs	$ 42 50	
Memorial service	30 10	
Incidental for chapel	11 95	
		$ 84 55

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Bishop's Trust Fund	$ 1 20		
Diocesan Missions	15 00		
		$ 16 20	
General missions	$ 3 00		
Foreign missions (Joseph W. Bancroft Scholarship Fund)	31 22		
		$ 34 22	
			$134 97
A Lenten box of children's clothing has also been sent to the Children's Home, Grand Rapids, value	$ 36 00		
Also a memorial offering to the chapel, value	15 00		
		$ 51 00	
Total			$185 97

JAMES EDWARD WILKINSON,
Chaplain.

Lay Readers' Reports.

Grace, Holland, C. A. Stevenson, Lay Reader.—Since Easter, 1894, I have held thrity-two services in Grace church.

Trinity, Marshall, W. J. Dibble, Lay Reader.—I would report that for the year ending Easter, 1895, I have read morning prayer on seven Sundays during vacancy in the rectorship, and have read parts of morning and evening prayer five times for Rev. Mr. Beckwith.

Good Shepherd, Allegan, Chas. R. Wilkes, Lay Reader.—I have held services on Sunday mornings in April, May, June and July, 1894, once each month. During September, October, November, December, 1894, and January, February, March, 1895, each Sunday a. m., except one. During Lent, each Tuesday and Friday, except on three Tuesdays, when services were held by clergymen.

S. Thomas', Battle Creek, George Willard, Lay Reader.—During the year ending 1895, I have held five cottage Lenten services and one burial service.

S. Beda's Mission, Grand Rapids, John E. Nash, Lay Reader—From April 1st, 1894, to April 14, 1895, I have held service fifty-four times.

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S. John's, Grand Rapids, H. D. Chambers, Lay Reader.—In Rockford, Mich., have read service, with sermon, 34 times in S. James' church, besides holding 13 services for young people and children. Have assisted Rev. Messrs. Reeves and Hubbs at S. John's Mission, Grand Rapids, and Rev. Mr. Hubbs at Grace, same city.

Trinity, Three Rivers, C. Elmer Jameson, Lay Reader.—The only town there has been an opportunity for me to hold services in is Three Rivers. On five different Sundays, ranging from November, 1894, to Easter day, I have met with the people of the parish, and have found their loyalty to the Church and their earnest desire to maintain its services, a strong incentive to do what I could to help them. The increasing attendance and the evident kindliness of feeling toward the parish by the town people in general, give hope of reviving the work there, if there should be a systematic and constant effort. Attendance at the first service in November, 13. At the afternoon service on Easter day, about 110. This latter is not an index of actual gain, since the special service and singing of the children attracted an unusual congregation. But it shows somewhat the readiness with which the people will respond to well directed efforts. The ladies of the parish deserve special credit for their earnest zeal in arranging for Easter, as for all other services held there. The offering on Easter morning, $2.56, was set apart for Diocesan missions, and, with the small amount collected in the Easter boxes, will be forwarded to the treasurer.

S. Luke's Mission, Muskegon, Alfred Bullock, Lay Reader.—I held morning service during Lent five Sundays; evening service, ten times; week night services, twice, and have read the lessons for rector of S. Paul's 21 times.

S. Paul's, Elk Rapids, H. B. Lewis, Lay Reader.—Since Easter, 1894, have read service on Sunday twelve times, both morning and evening; four times on week day evenings, and have read the morning lessons for the rector twice.

Christ Church, Homer, N. D. Beedon, Lay Reader.—I have read the service thirty-two times in the year ending Easter, 1895.

S. Thomas', Battle Creek, John E. Nelson, Lay Reader.—Five cottage Lenten services with addresses. Six chapel services, (five during Lent) with addresses, and one Sunday morning service, reading one of Bishop Barry's sermons. All services well attended.

S. James', Pentwater, S. B. Minshall, Lay Reader.—Since Easter, 1894, I have held 34 Sunday morning services.

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Reports of Clergy Not in Parochial Charge.

Rev. M. Morris, Kalamazoo, prevented from ministerial services by ill health.

Rev. G. C. V. Eastman, D. D., Benton Harbor: The infirmities of age prevent attendance on Divine service.

Rev. J. Rice Taylor has officiated as health and opportunity have allowed.

Report of Rev. Henry Hughes, of Coldwater, Michigan, from June 1st, 1894, to June 1st, 1895: Sunday services held, 40. Baptisms, adults, 5; children, 9; total, 14. Marriages, 7. Burials, 8. Holy Communion administered, public, 6; private, 1; total, 7. I am now, and have been for some time, supplying the church in Hillsdale, Michigan.

Rev. S. H. Woodford, Detroit: During the past year I have been employed chiefly in editorial work on the Detroit Evening News. I have done no distinctively clerical work. I have preached three times at the "McGregor Mission," in this city, and, aside from this, I have done no work not connected with S. Peter's church, Detroit. My family and I attend church at S. Peter's, where all the work I have done has been performed. I have, during the year, had charge of the girls' Bible class, and have assisted the rector otherwise in matters not consequential enough to be reported. I have made several addresses to the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and once I addressed the congregation of S. Peter's on "Why I Believe the Bible."

Rev. Charles W. Ivie, Brooklyn, New York: I have to report to you as follows: Since last September I have had no permanent work, but have held services every Sunday in various churches in New York, Brooklyn, New Jersey and Long Island; have been thus engaged every Sunday, with some five or six exceptions, and have held some week day and Saints' day services. A good deal of this work has been gratuitous or semi-gratuitous. I have been attending the College of Physicians and Surgeons, N. Y., in accordance with the plan that I discussed with you in Grand Rapids, and to which you gave your approval.

Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, Tenafly, New Jersey: In view of the approaching Convention, I submit the following report of duties

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rendered during the past year: I have officiated 20 times. I have celebrated Holy Communion on six occasions; have baptized one child and solemnized one marriage. Sometimes the old habits and feelings, born of 33 years ministry, come back strongly upon me, and I have wished for work. But nothing quite near and accessible offers as yet. I wish I could be with the brethren at the Convention.

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TABULAR REPORT OF WEST MICHIGAN BRANCH OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

PARISHES AND MISSIONS.	Colored Salary Fund	Dr. Cumming Scholarship South Dakota	The Bishop Gillespie Scholarship, Tokio, Japan	The Little Cot, S. Mary's Mission Shanghai, China	The Somerville Scholarship, Liberia, Africa	The Ellen E. Robinson Scholarship, Standing Rock, South Dakota	The Jane Bohlen Scholarship, Wuchang, China	Bishop's Trust Fund	Parochial Work Special	Diocesan Special	Domestic Special	Foreign Special	Contingent Fund	Total	Number of Members	Boxes	
																Number of	Value
Allegan, Good Shepherd	$ 7 50	$..	$....	$.....	$ 7 50	$ 7 50	.....	7 50	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 30 00	..	1	$25 00
Battle Creek, S. Thomas	12 50	6 50	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	35 00	.....	.....	2 00	72 00	38	1	60 00
Benton Harbor, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	2 00	..	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	40 00	18 00	20 00	12 00	.....	17 00	.....	18 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	127 00	..	2	282 15
Grand Rapids, Industrial Band	1 00	5 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	..	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Individual	4 5	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 50	..	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Grace Church	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	..	1	16 50
Grand Haven, S. John's	8 00	9 25	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	20 00	31	1	9 25
Hastings, Emmanuel	5 25	6 25	.....	3 00	2 50	8 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	2 00	30 00	40	1	51 00
Hastings, S. Agnes' Guild	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	10	.....	.....
Homer, Grace	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	5 00	6	.....	.....
Ionia, S. John's	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	27 00	12	2	19 50
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	32 50	10 00	5 00	10 00	10 00	22 50	.....	10 60	.....	25 00	35 50	20 00	2 00	182 50	77	2	57 73
Kalamazoo, Junior Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 00	5 00	.....	29 00	8	3	12 73
Marshall, Trinity	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	9 00	..	1	4 80
Manistee, Holy Trinity	10 00	5 00	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	27 00	..	.....	.....
Niles, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	10 10	.....	.....	12 10	..	5	67 29
Akeley Institute Missionary Society G. H.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	..	1	36 00
Special Collections	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 50	..	.....	.....
Totals	165 00	60 00	40 00	30 00	25 00	60 00	40 00	50 00	35 00	65 00	77 60	25 00	18 00	680 60	222	21	641 95

Total, money and boxes, $1,322,55.

A member of St. Luke's church, with a few S. S. scholars, gave a library of 120 volumes to Mission.

Organized during the year auxiliary branches at Albion, Schoolcraft and Benton Harbor. Total number of branches, 13; number making pledges, 10.

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APPENDIX E.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—PAROCHIAL PROPERTY.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH	Property by whom held.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Rectory.	Insurance Carried.	Indebtedness Secured.	Indebtedness Floating.	Reduction of Debt.	Increase and Improvement of Church property.	Rector's Salary.	Am't paid on Rector's Salary.	Whole Number of Sittings.	No of Sittings Free.	No. of Sittings Rented.
Albion, S. James'.....	Vestry	$ 5000 00	.....	$ 3500 00	.....	$ 85 75	.....	$ 71 00	$450	$ 316 75	200	200	....
Allegan, Good Shepherd...	Vestry	6200 00	$1500	5000 00	.....	.....	$ 250 00	.....	* 900	409 48	200	200	....
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'..	Vestry	26500 00	3000	12500 00	.....	.....	.....	875 37	*1800	1800 00	400	....	....
Big Rapids, S. Andrew's..	Vestry	3500 00	1400	3150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	*1000	.....	150	150	....
Coldwater, S. Mark's	Vestry	16700 00	.....	7500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1000	.....	400	125	275
Elk Rapids. S. Paul's	Asso'n	5000 00	1000	4400 00	$ 900 00	253 61	.....	.....	* 800	800 00	250	250	....
Grand Haven, S John's...	Vestry	6500 00	1200	5250 00	750 00	239 79	.....	.....	* 800	675 46	250	250	....
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's..	Vestry	65000 00	12000	17500 00	1500 00	3000 00	.....	246 00	*3600	3600 00	500	800	700
Grand Rapids, Grace.....	Vestry	25000 00	6000	14500 00	15500 00	4500 00	272 00	.....	*1500	1500 00	600	600	....
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's...	Vestry	3600 00	.....	2500 00	.....	270 90	.....	550 00	.....	448 71	200	200	....
Grand Rapids, Trinity....	Vestry	3000 00	....	2000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	200	....
Hastings, Emmanuel.....	Vestry	11000 00	.....	5000 00	980 40	165 00	150 40	.....	950	785 00	300	300	....
Holland, Grace.....	Vestry	3500 00	.....	2500 00	.....	72 00	.....	.....	150	149 05	150	150	....
Homer, Christ.....	Vestry	2500 00	.....	1200 00	.....	234 25	.....	.....	275	175 00	150	150	....
Ionia, S. John's.....	Vestry	10500 00	.....	7500 00	1143 00	99 00	212 00	.....	1300	1265 00	325	325	....
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's. ...	Vestry	90018 75	6000	38700 00	....	2000 00	.....	10772 63	*1800	1800 00	700	700	....
Ludington, Grace.....	Vestry	3000 00	.....	2000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	150	....
Manistee, Holy Trinity ...	Vestry	9000 00	1400	4500 00	4000 00	200 00	.....	.....	* 850	823 20	250	250	....
Marshall, Trinity.....	Vestry	12000 00	3400	11000 00	.....	.....	.....	144 67	*1000	833 00	450	450	....
Muskegon, S. Paul's.....	Vestry	60000 00	6000	18700 00	.....	28000 00	365 30	78 25	*1350	1125 00	750	400	350
Niles, Trinity.....	Vestry	15000 00	3000	8000 00	.....	1200 00	195 87	....	*1200	980 00	500	225	275
Saranac, Trinity.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saugatuck, All Saints'.....	Vestry	2000 00	.....	800 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	200	....
Three Rivers, Trinity.....	.....	1000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	300	300	....
Traverse City, Grace.....	Vestry	2000 00	.....	1000 00	.....	183 00	.....	.....	.....	332 38	175	175	....
Union City, Grace.....	Vestry	1800 00	.....	1500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Total.....	.....	$389318 75	$45900	$81200 00	$24773 40	$40494 30	$1445 57	$13757 91	.....	$17823 01	8850	6750	1600

* Including Rectory.

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REPORT OF PROPERTY OF ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

NAMES AND PLACES OF MISSIONS.	Property by whom held.	Value of church property.	Value of Rectory.	Insurance carried.	Indebtedness secured.	Indebtedness floating.	Reduction of debt.	Increase and Improvement of church property.	Rector's Salary.	Amount paid Rector.	Whole No. Sittings.	No. Sittings Free.	No. Sittings Rented.
Baldwin, S Matthew's	Assoc'n	$ 400 00	$ 200										
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	Assoc'n	3500 00		$1300				$ 44 32	$600	$ 470 00	200	200	
Cassopolis, S. James'													
Central Lake, S. Matthias'	Trustee	800 00		500	300 00			633 75					
Charlevoix, Christ	Assoc'n	1000 00											
Charlotte, Grace	Trustees	3500 00		2200		$ 180 00				442 91	200	200	
Coopersville, Epiphany	Assoc'n												
East Jordan, Redeemer	Assoc'n	1589 41		500		157 82		89 41		55 92	78	78	
Grand Rapids, S. John's		3500 00		2800	2650 00				75	74 90	250	250	
Grand Rapids, S. Matthew's		3000 00		1500	1320 00			36 45			150	150	
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's													
Greenville, S. Paul's	Assoc'n	1200 00		1000							150	150	
Harbor Springs, S. John's	Assoc'n	2000 00		2000							200	200	
Muskegon, S. Luke's	Trustee	1500 00		400	370 00			22 48					
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	Assoc'n	3000 00	1800	2700			$ 25 00	2 50	* 500	364 56	150	150	
Newaygo, S. Mark's	Trustees	4000 00		2000		37 50	40 00				200	200	
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	Assoc'n	1000 00											
Pentwater, S. James'	Assoc'n	2000 00	450	1300	249 87					81 10	75	75	
Petoskey, Emmanuel	Assoc'n	6200 00		3900	800 00	322 00	436 88		700	403 85	200	200	
Quincy, S. John's	Assoc'n												
Rockford, S. James'	Assoc'n												
Sturgis, S. James'						10 70	138 25						
Tustin, S Johannes													
Whitehall, Redeemer	Assoc'n	1200 00		1000							150	150	
Total		39389 41	2450	23100	5719 87	708 02	640 13	828 91		1893 24	2008	1808	
UNORGANIZED MISSIONS													
Schoolcraft, S. Stephen's	Assoc'n	2000 00									125	125	
Luther, S James'		500 00									50	50	
Mendon, S. Paul's		455 00									250	250	
Unorganized Missions		2915 00									425	425	
Organized Missions		39389 41	2450	23100	5719 87	708 02	640 00	828 91		1893 24	2008	1808	
Parishes		389318 75	45900	81200	24773 40	40494 30	1445 57	13757 91		17823 01	8850	6750	1600
Total		$450662 16	$48350	$104300	$30492 27	$41202 32	2085 57	$14586 82		$19716 25	11278	8978	1600

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	PAROCHIAL RECEIPTS.						PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.									
	From Offertory.	Subscriptions, Pew Rents and Envelopes.	Women's Associations.	Sunday School.	Other sources, including balances.	Total.	Communion Alms.	Rector's Salary.	Other Salaries.	Insurance and Interest.	Other Parish Expenses.	Increase and Improvement of Church property.	Paid on Indebtedness.	By or for Sunday School.	Balance on hand.	Total.
Albion, S. James'	$ 98 75	$ 316 75	$ 130 00	$ 5 14	.....	$ 550 64	.....	$ 316 75	$ 66 00	$ 59 00	$ 17 36	$ 71 00	.....	1 33	.....	$ 531 44
Allegan, Good Shepherd	120 29	677 44	280 00	83 00	$ 110 11	1272 84	.....	409 48	83 60	.....	166 42	.....	$250 00	87 50	$ 73 94	997 00
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	500 51	1990 75	800 00	97 84	1206 48	4595 58	$94 39	1800 00	369 40	48 00	909 12	875 37	.....	50 34	77	4236 62
Big Rapids, S. Andrew's	202 61	993 19	310 71	39 63	11 16	1556 14	25 91	980 96	178 07	.....	248 79	.....	.....	45 00	78	1478 73
Coldwater, S. Mark's	166 76	1097 95	50 00	.....	.....	1348 73	.....	988 32	105 00	.....	237 16	.....	.....	.....	.....	1330 48
Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	93 47	688 42	129 37	41 99	134 40	1096 40	1 46	800 00	28 00	47 50	39 96	.....	.....	24 39	44 96	944 88
Grand Haven, S. John's	213 35	685 72	110 63	22 62	.....	1062 32	.....	6 5 46	62 00	112 50	43 06	.....	.....	21 48	.....	914 50
Grand Rapids, S Mark's	2321 84	7560 00	*1309 98	.....	3270 00	12461 32	464 21	3600 00	1807 14	85 00	1070 51	246 00	.....	.....	.....	7269 96
Grand Rapids, Grace	409 66	2985 00	405 64	166 00	.....	3966 30	.....	1500 00	791 30	.....	285 71	.....	272 00	100 00	821 84	3144 46
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	518 02	286 00	152 00	67 81	214 00	1230 83	.....	449 71	59 00	44 15	66 17	550 00	.....	43 70	.....	1211 73
Grand Rapids, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	284 63	847 50	337 19	145 64	138 53	1753 49	62 50	785 00	146 70	75 00	233 31	.....	150 40	89 23	15 41	1546 25
Holland, Grace	85 08	148 55	34 74	.....	.....	.....	.....	149 05	47 00	.....	40 10	.....	.....	.....	9 89	236 15
Homer, Christ	44 12	175 00	169 12	16 37	.....	404 61	.....	175 00	.....	.....	206 49	.....	.....	11 87	.....	393 36
Ionia, S. John's	321 92	1370 91	260 34	86 12	326 10	2365 39	27 54	1265 00	135 59	140 00	278 25	.....	212 00	54 22	55 05	2112 60
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	1114 75	12195 86	1824 30	295 96	1279 48	16710 35	153 65	1600 00	1355 00	266 05	1096 51	10772 63	.....	90 77	234 29	15534 61
Ludington, Grace	.....	18 33	72 50	.....	.....	90 83	.....	.....	.....	13 00	21 35	.....	.....	.....	98	34 85
Manistee, Holy Trinity	442 35	657 33	203 32	.....	26 10	1858 10	.....	823 20	.....	20 00	428 51	.....	.....	.....	4 75	1271 71
Marshall, Trinity	240 72	1275 46	82 00	119 96	327 49	2740 23	22 93	833 00	168 71	101 50	404 22	144 67	.....	34 40	709 05	1709 43
Muskegon, S. Paul's	350 46	1793 43	380 03	42 56	82 19	2699 88	40 54	1125 00	250 00	.....	294 00	78 25	365 30	22 51	197 04	2175 60
Niles, Trinity	346 31	868 04	447 24	.....	134 78	1796 37	.....	980 00	220 61	68 00	175 81	.....	195 87	.....	04	1640 29
Saranac, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saugatuck, All Saints'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity	40 87	37 00	67 93	.....	.....	145 79	.....	.....	45 00	10 00	41 16	20 00	.....	.....	11 42	116 16
Traverse City, Grace	170 68	193 00	118 00	.....	.....	483 68	.....	332 38	1 00	10 00	100 00	.....	.....	8 00	.....	450 38
Union City, Grace	24 28	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	8111 64	24893 63	7675 03	1227 64	7260 82	49720 10	893 13	20787 31	6928 12	1099 70	6193 98	12757 92	1445 57	684 74	2182 21	49281 19

*Includes Sunday Schools and all Parish Societies.

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PAROCHIAL REPORTS—MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	PAROCHIAL RECEIPTS.						PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.									
	From Offertory	Subscriptions, Pew Rents and Envelopes	Woman's Association	Sunday School	Other Sources, including balances	Total	Communion Alms	Rector's Salary	Other Salaries	Insurance and Interest	Other Parish Expenses	Increase and Improvement of Church Property	Paid on Indebtedness	By or for Sunday School	Balance on hand	Total
Baldwin, S. Matthew's.	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....
Bent'n H'r,H'ly Trinity	157 40	414 89	104 28	27 21	25 00	785 23	14 29	470 00	52 00	22 50	26 57	44 32	.....	16 77	84 15	64645
Cassopolis, S. James...	5 71	1 60	34 99	.....	.....	45 28	.....	.....	.....	.....	33 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	3365
Centr'l L'ke,S Matthias	60 87	307 50	28 98	.....	347 98	725 33	.....	.....	.....	12 50	50 50	633 75	.....	.....	17 58	696 75
Charlevoix, Christ.....	40 14	.....	.....	27 51	.....	67 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	23	.....	.....	27 51	.....	27 74
Charlotte, Grace.....	37 28	379 27	87 45	25 00	56 34	585 34	.....	442 91	162 20	.....	81 78	.....	.....	.....	.....	686 89
East Jordan, Redeemer	19 07	98 76	30 20	.....	42 30	190 24	.....	.....	.....	11 30	18 98	89 41	.....	.....	.....	119 69
Grand Rapids, S. John's	112 12	67 87	40 00	44 13	.....	264 12	.....	74 90	.....	.....	105 11	.....	.....	44 13	39 98	224 14
G'd R'ds, S. Matthew's	44 28	39 37	70 11	35 28	54 75	243 74	.....	.....	.....	.....	171 84	36 45	.....	22 92	36 67	231 21
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's	20 52	7 50	.....	.....	9 22	37 24	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 60	.....	.....	.....	5 26	13 60
Greenville, S. Paul's...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harb'r Spr'gs, S. John's	115 56	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 00	.....	48 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	93 55
Muskegon, S. Luke's..	15 84	23 34	44 16	27 73	32 01	153 08	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 90	22 48	25 00	24 76	7 54	89 14
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	64 86	364 56	60 45	15 87	61 51	567 25	.....	364 56	45 41	18 00	9 50	2 50	40 00	39 25	8 22	519 22
Newaygo, S Mark's...	15 00	.....	125 00	30 00	24 84	193 84	.....	112 50	.....	27 75	22 55	.....	.....	10 00	.....	172 85
Paw Paw, S. Mark's...	9 01	.....	.....	.....	10 00	19 01	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Pentwater, S. James'..	20 36	83 01	.....	.....	18 89	122 26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Petoskey, Emmanuel..	242 29	760 50	74 17	36 96	8 13	1122 05	.....	403 85	81 00	35 00	26 75	50 09	436 88	15 00	.....	1048 57
Quincy, S. John's.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rockford, S James'....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sturgis, S. James'.....	80 84	111 05	179 69	15 30	12 98	399 86	.....	.....	36 80	.....	109 99	.....	138 25	14 12	7 84	299 16
Tustin, S. Johannes'...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Whitehall, Redeemer..	11 86	16 00	37 80	.....	22 25	87 91	.....	37 50	.....	.....	17 61	.....	.....	.....	24 20	55 11
Unorganized Mis'ns																
Luther, S. James'.....	11 50	8 00	.....	4 84	.....	24 34	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	11 00
Mendon, S. James'.....	3 79	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 79	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Stanton, Grace.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Schoolc'ft, S. Stephen's	15 69	60 37	63 35	.....	4 28	153 69	.....	.....	.....	.....	57 87	.....	.....	.....	.....	57 81
Total Missions.....	1093 99	2743 59	981 63	289 78	730 48	4791 25	14 29	1906 22	422 41	117 05	830 42	879 00	640 13	217 46	234 44	5038 04
Total Parishes.....	8111 64	24893 63	7675 03	1227 64	7260 82	59720 10	893 13	20787 31	6928 12	109970	6493 98	12757 92	1445 57	684 74	2182 21	4928119
Grand Total.....	9205 63	27636 12	8658 66	1517 42	7991 30	64511 35	907 42	22683 53	7350 53	121675	7224 40	13636 92	2085 70	902 20	2316 65	5431923

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PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—WITHIN THE DIOCESE.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Diocesan Missions	Convention Assessments	Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund	Bishop's Trust Fund	Deaf Mute Fund	Diocesan Church Building Fund	For Akeley Institute	By the Woman's Auxiliary	By the Sunday School	Other Objects	Total
Albion, S. James'	$.....	$.....	$ 1 25	$ 2 33	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 3 58
Allegan, Good Shepherd	37 62	41 60	3 77	3 40	2 80	.....	.....	.....	23 00	.....	114 19
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	112 50	48 20	10 02	10 00	4 05	.....	35 00	2 00	.....	2 00	229 27
Big Rapids, S. Andrew's	13 67	35 01	11 00	5 63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 31
Coldwater, S. Mark's	25 00	73 73	2 52	4 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	106 00
Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	20 00	43 07	4 45	3 09	2 61	.....	5 25	.....	5 00	.....	78 38
Grand Haven, S. John's	45 00	50 63	6 50	5 09	.....	.....	1 00	.....	5 00	.....	108 22
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	525 00	312 00	70 00	53 00	10 00	.....	.....	18 00	25 00	.....	970 00
Grand Rapids, Grace	65 00	116 44	.....	4 01	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	185 45
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	15 00	.....	2 10	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 75	.....	19 10
Grand Rapids, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	40 00	52 14	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	10 00	5 00	107 14
Holland, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Homer, Christ	.....	.....	.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 75
Ionia, S. John's	47 98	88 05	.....	11 18	6 82	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	154 03
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	300 00	216 65	31 94	24 36	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	10 00	592 95
Ludington, Grace	.....	55 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55 50
Manistee, Holy Trinity	.....	53 22	9 30	14 32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	76 84
Marshall, Trinity	99 61	69 49	19 94	20 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	219 09
Muskegon, S. Paul's	79 48	205 14	4 80	9 21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	298 63
Niles, Trinity	30 00	86 04	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00	121 04
Sangatuck, All Saints'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity	13 69	3 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 19
Traverse City, Grace	10 30	3 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 30
Union City, Grace	20 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 70
Total	$ 1500 55	$ 1553 41	$ 191 49	$ 174 08	$ 26 28	$.....	$ 41 25	$ 45 00	$ 112 75	$ 32 00	$ 3553 66

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PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—WITHIN THE DIOCESE—CONTINUED.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Diocesan Missions	Convention Assessment	Aged and Infirm Clergy F'nd	Bishop's Trust Fund	Deaf Mute Fund	Diocesan Church Building Fund	For Akeley Institute	By Woman's Auxiliary	By Sunday School	Other Objects	Total
Baldwin, S. Matthew's	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity		25 47	3 21	7 60							36 28
Central Lake, S. Matthias'	12 00										12 00
Charlotte, Grace		72 45									72 45
Charlevoix, Christ	18 97										18 97
Cassopolis, S. James'											
Coopersville, Epiphany											
East Jordan, Redeemer	55 92	87		1 00							57 79
Grand Rapids, S. John's											
Grand Rapids, S. Matthew's		2 03									2 03
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's	3 93	1 00			8 70					72	14 35
Greenville, S. Paul's											
Harbor Springs, S. John's	22 01										22 01
Muskegon, S. Luke's	50 48	4 92		1 00							56 40
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	15 00	12 48	95	4 13							32 56
Newaygo, S. Mark's		8 65		1 84							10 49
Pentwater, S. James'	81 10	6 62		3 05							90 77
Petoskey, Emmanuel	5 00		2 80								7 80
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	6 41										6 41
Quincy, S. John's											
Rockford, S. James'											
Sturgis, S. James'	36 91	35 69	2 23	3 44							78 27
Tustin, S Johannes											
Whitehall, Redeemer		5 50		3 10							8 60
Manist'e, S. Mich'l's&All Angel's											
UNORGANIZED MISSIONS											
Schoolcraft, S. Stephen's	90 30		1 26	3 15							94 71
Mendon, S. Paul's	3 29										3 29
Luther, S James'	10 00										10 00
Stanton, Grace											
Reed City	1 80										1 80
Mancelona	15 35										15 35
Total Missions	$ 428 47	$ 175 68	$ 10 45	$ 28 31	$ 8 70	$	$	$	$	$ 72	$ 652 33
Total Parishes	1500 55	1553 41	191 49	174 08	26 28		41 25	45 00	112 75	32 00	3553 66
Grand Total	**1929 02**	**1729 09**	**201 94**	**202 39**	**34 98**		**41 25**	**45 00**	**112 75**	**32 72**	**4205 99**

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PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Domestic Missions	Foreign Missions	Colored Missions	Indian Missions	Jewish Missions	Bible and Prayer Book Societies	American Church Building Fund	General Clergy Relief	By Sunday School	By Women's Societies	Other Objects	Total Outside Diocese	Grand Total for all Purposes
Albion, S. James'	$	$ 1 27	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 1 27	$ 536 29
Allegan, Good Shepherd	44 81	41 25	.....	.....	.....	1 66	.....	.....	52 50	80 00	.....	87 72	1198 91
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	104 59	14 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	85 00	.....	128 92	4594 81
Big Rapids, S. Andrews'	6 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 50	.....	4 82	11 32	1555 36
Coldwater, S. Mark's	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	1441 48
Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	2 90	21 10	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 60	.....	3 25	28 25	1051 44
Grand Haven, S. John's	33 30	4 30	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 60	20 00	.....	39 60	1062 32
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	*465 42	83 75	.....	.....	25 00	11 00	15 00	.....	.....	246 65	44 00	641 17	12461 32
Grand Rapids, Grace	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	10 00	3144 46
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1230 33
Grand Rapids, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hastings Emmanuel	36 08	35 50	.....	.....	2 85	5 00	5 26	.....	31 00	20 00	.....	84 69	1738 08
Holland, Grace	4 50	4 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00	.....	.....	9 00	236 15
Homer, Christ	4 75	4 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	9 50	404 61
Ionia, S. John's	11 86	31 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 71	20 00	.....	43 71	2310 34
Kalamazoo, S Luke's	144 49	144 49	.....	.....	11 11	.....	38 10	.....	50 00	178 98	20 31	358 50	16476 06
Ludington, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	89 85
Manistee, Holy Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 80	1354 35
Marshall, Trinity	31 21	64 20	.....	.....	5 02	.....	2 25	.....	78 67	.....	.....	102 68	2031 20
Muskegon, S. Paul's	12 00	12 10	.....	.....	4 51	.....	.....	.....	15 28	.....	.....	28 61	2502 84
Niles, Trinity	17 50	17 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	10 00	.....	35 00	1796 33
Saugatuck, All Saints'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity	1 02	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 02	134 37
Traverse City, Grace	5 00	5 00	2 50	2 50	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 00	483 68
Union City, Grace	2 29	1 29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 58	24 28
Total	$ 931 22	$ 496 38	$ 2 50	$ 5 50	$ 55 29	$ 17 66	$ 60 61	$	$ 347 86	$ 615 63	$ 73 38	$ 1649 34	55859 36

* Includes $246 65 Woman's Auxiliary.

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PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE—CONTINUED.

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.	Domestic Missions	Foreign Missions	Colored Missions	Indian Missions	Jewish Missions	Bible and Prayer Book Society	American Church Building Fund	General Clergy Relief	By Sunday School	By Women's Societies	Other Objects	Total Outside Diocese	Grand Total for all Purposes
Baldwin, S. Matthew's	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	8 08	8 55			1 05		67		9 48			18 35	701 08
Cassopolis, S. James'	79	78										1 57	44 88
Central Lake, S. Matthias'													408 75
Charlevoix, Christ	6 87	6 87					3 60		6 54		3 60	20 94	67 65
Charlotte, Grace													759 34
Coopersville, Epiphany													
East Jordan, Redeemer													177 48
Grand Rapids, S. John's													224 14
Grand Rapids, S. Matthews'													233 34
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's	2 02	2 01										4 03	31 98
Greenville, S. Paul's													
Harbor Springs, S. John's													115 56
Mendon, S. Paul's													3 29
Muskegon, S. Luke's													145 54
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	7 25								6 41			7 25	559 03
Newaygo, S. Mark's	5 50	3 00				2 10			6 00			10 60	193 84
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	1 30	1 30										2 60	19 01
Petoskey, Emmanuel	10 98	10 98			62	2 21	2 50		21 96			27 29	1063 66
Pentwater, S. James'	1 85											1 85	117 83
Quincy, S. John's													
Rockford, S. James													
Sturgis, S. James'	5 42	5 41			1 25		2 51		10 83			14 59	392 02
Tustin, S. Johannes'													
Whitehall, Redeemer													63 71
UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.													
Grand Ledge													4 84
Luther, S. James'	2 59	75										1 84	14 34
Schoolcraft, S. Stephen's	1 17											1 17	153 69
Stanton, Grace													3 64
Total Missions	53 77	39 65			2 92	4 31	9 28	$	61 22	$	$ 3 60	$ 112 07	5329 54
Total Parishes	931 22	496 38	2 50	5 50	55 29	17 66	60 61		347 86	615 63	73 38	1649 34	55859 36
Grand Total	984 99	536 03	2 50	5 50	58 21	21 97	69 89		409 08	615 63	76 98	1761 41	61188 90

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—MEMBERSHIP, ETC.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Families	Adults	Children	Total	BAPTISMS				CONFIRMATIONS				Celebrations Public	Celebrations Private	PUBLIC SERVICE'S				Marriages	Burials	SUNDAY SCHOOL						Average Attendance	Number Books in Library
					Whole Number Baptized	Infants	Adults	Total	Confirmed During the Year	Whole Number Confirmed	COMMUNICANTS												Teachers			Scholars				
											Added	Lost	Male	Female	Total			Sundays	Holy Days	Week Days	Total			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total		
Albion, S. James'	54	90	20	110	102	3	6	9	8	90	10	2	21	69	90	7	....	57	10	....	61	4	...	1	3	4	15	38	53	20	.....
Allegan, Good Shepherd	65	170	120	290	225	2	5	7	..	112	2	11	36	76	112	18	....	57	11	24	92	3	4	..	..	..	25	40	65	50	240
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	177	477	163	610	506	17	24	41	46	285	73	25	70	200	270	53	10	120	77	30	227	10	17	2	14	16	63	81	144	....	165
Big Rapids, S. Andrew's	30	150	80	230	§150	3	1	4	....	95	..	32	16	58	74	77	....	91	43	43	177	6	7	1	7	8	30	28	58	35	150
Coldwater, S. Mark's	114	....	..	....	§200	11	4	15	...	143	5	19	40	103	143	10	4	46	3	33	82	8	15	2	9	11	..	..	80	48	345
Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	38	72	64	136	126	4	5	9	9	69	13	1	20	44	64	45	1	109	10	56	175	2	1	3	4	7	17	27	44	26	25
Grand Haven, S. John's	60	165	65	220	203	4	3	7	14	130	25	19	48	75	123	91	2	147	53	69	269	3	1	1	7	8	21	27	48	35	125
Grand Rapids, S Mark's	415	900	450	1350	1260	38	8	46	18	850	46	17	....	....	719	90	7	307	85	271	663	22	34	7	15	22	65	97	206	95	.....
Grand Rapids, Grace	175	....	..	....	§500	16	3	19	16	‡310	19	28	70	240	310	82	4	100	25	115	240	2	18	7	12	19	..	..	176	98	.....
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	72	123	75	198	185	4	8	12	7	111	24	46	26	67	93	48	1	119	13	49	181	3	2	3	9	12	25	50	75	63	277
Grand Rapids, Trinity	159	220	34	414	§350	....	....	..	....	259	..	..	....	....	259	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	3	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	100	170	109	279	233	16	11	27	20	†115	22	11	23	92	115	50	1	150	19	68	237	6	8	6	11	17	58	80	138	58	.....
Holland, Grace	40	60	43	103	§ 80	2	....	2	2	† 40	3	1	9	31	40	5	..	20	37	4	61	1	...	1	6	7	1	25	37	22	.....
Homer, Christ	33	72	33	105	95	....	....	....	....	61	..	5	21	51	72	2	1	38	6	....	44	...	3	3	1	4	18	29	47	30	120
Ionia, S. John's	112	242	85	327	218	4	7	11	26	182	54	42	44	113	157	16	1	153	10	57	220	5	6	6	10	16	33	57	90	....	270
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	275	....	..	....	§700	23	20	43	47	†446	54	40	116	330	446	75	14	156	27	77	260	4	17	5	13	18	85	109	194	145	.....
Ludington, Grace	‡ 42	95	47	142	116	5	....	5	....	61	..	..	....	....	61	8	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....
Manistee, Holy Trinity	74	180	160	340	325	36	9	45	38	†160	50	25	62	98	160	116	5	153	30	100	283	3	15	4	4	8	35	45	80	55	50
Marshall, Trinity	100	....	....	....	§250	12	13	25	16	†160	13	7	....	....	160	22	6	114	10	45	169	6	14	3	9	12	35	60	95	....	.....
Muskegon, S. Paul's	136	325	204	529	456	5	3	8	12	201	18	6	54	148	202	77	4	144	25	43	222	8	10	4	7	11	48	79	118	69	.....
Niles, Trinity	144	277	141	418	§400	21	12	33	31	250	31	27	72	178	250	66	5	94	12	78	184	8	19	3	12	15	51	100	151	....	200
Saugatuck, All Saints'	30	75	35	110	100	....	....	....	....	42	..	..	4	16	20	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity	18	25	8	33	§ 30	....	....	..	....	19	..	..	....	18	18	4	....	8	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....
Traverse City, Grace	35	82	32	114	89	10	1	11	6	47	14	6	6	32	38	27	2	102	21	30	153	2	9	1	2	3	6	12	18	12	.....
Union City, Grace	8	23	4	27	§ 25	....	....	..	....	† 18	3	4	4	14	18	3	1	6	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....
Total	2506	3963	1972	6092	6944	236	143	379	317	4256	479	374	762	2063	4114	892	68	2295	538	1192	4000	106	200	63	155	218	643	976	1908	871	1967

§ Estimated. † Same as Number of Communicants. ‡ Last Year's Report.

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS—MEMBERSHIP, ETC.—CONTINUED.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Families	Adults	Children	Total	Whole Number Baptized	BAPTISMS Infants	BAPTISMS Adults	BAPTISMS Total	Confirmed During the Year	Whole Number Confirmed	COMMUNICANTS Added	COMMUNICANTS Lost	COMMUNICANTS Male	COMMUNICANTS Female	COMMUNICANTS Total	Celebrations Public	Celebrations Private	PUBLIC SERVICE'S Sundays	PUBLIC SERVICE'S Holy Days	PUBLIC SERVICE'S Week Days	PUBLIC SERVICE'S Total	Marriages	Burials	SUNDAY SCHOOL Teachers Male	SUNDAY SCHOOL Teachers Female	SUNDAY SCHOOL Teachers Total	SUNDAY SCHOOL Scholars Male	SUNDAY SCHOOL Scholars Female	SUNDAY SCHOOL Scholars Total	Av. Attendance	Books in Libry
Baldwin, S. Matthew's	6	14	10	24	18	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bent'n H'r, H'ly Trinity	54	124	48	172	139	9	...	9	9	116	22	16	84	67	101	20	2	104	13	43	160	4	3	1	6	7	18	27	45	30	200
Cassonolis, S. James	13	22	12	34	29	1	2	3	...	§ 15	2	4	4	11	15	4	..	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Centr'l L'ke, S. Matthias	10	50	10	60	25	...	3	3	3	14	...	...	7	7	14	2	..	....	....	23	28	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Charlevoix, Christ	19	30	42	72	† 70	1	...	1	7	37	7	...	9	28	37	3	..	9	....	22	11	..	1	1	3	4	13	31	44	28	..
Charlotte, Grace	43	92	50	142	104	4	1	5	....	75	1	...	23	45	68	6	1	34	4	2	40	1	...	2	6	8	12	26	38	30	195
Coopersville, Epiphany	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
East Jordan, Redeemer	14	44	16	60	46	4	1	5	5	24	5	1	8	16	24	9	..	23	1	1	25	1	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Grand Rapids, S. John's	30	....	....	....	....	9	1	10	7	25	....	....	....	....	25	13	..	100	....	40	140	....	2	3	13	16	....	....	....	95	65	....
G'd R'ds, S. Matthew's	28	43	35	69	63	8	...	8	....	49	11	10	22	46	68	5	2	52	1	5	58	....	....	2	4	6	26	41	67	....	....
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's	8	23	18	41	37	....	....	....	....	12	2	4	6	6	12	3	..	....	....	....	54	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Greenville, S. Paul's	23	36	24	60	50	....	....	....	....	39	....	....	....	....	‡ 39	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Harb'r Spr'gs, S. John's	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	‡	8	....	....	....	....	8	4	..	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Mendon, S. Paul's	9	19	8	27	26	2	1	3	....	15	....	....	3	12	15	1	..	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Muskegon, S. Luke's	26	59	71	116	97	4	...	4	1	40	1	1	9	26	3	18	3	56	4	52	112	1	2	3	7	10	34	46	82	53	....
Manist'e, S. Mich'ls & All A's	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	8	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	45	86	53	139	135	5	4	9	5	70	6	3	8	55	63	16	..	106	21	27	154	2	7	..	8	8	22	29	51	35	....
Newaygo, S. Mark's	36	60	40	100	75	4	...	4	....	40	..	2	10	30	40	10	..	27	8	5	35	1	2	..	2	5	7	....	75	55	....
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	15	26	4	30	25	....	....	....	....	§ 17	....	3	14	17	31	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Petoskey, Emmanuel	54	114	68	182	163	16	4	20	....	83	4	12	16	69	85	70	1	128	23	70	221	9	..	3	5	8	30	38	68	45	180
Pentwater, S. James'	36	60	30	99	75	...	3	3	6	40	7	1	5	32	37	10	..	22	4	....	26	1	3	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Quincy, S. John's	‡ 21	36	40	76	62	....	....	....	....	22	....	....	....	....	22	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Rockford, S. James'	12	26	10	36	36	....	....	....	....	22	....	....	....	....	22	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Sturgis, S. James'	25	45	21	66	62	5	5	10	5	33	5	5	7	26	33	9	12	45	8	....	53	1	1	3	3	6	12	13	25	18	....
Tustin, S. Johannes	5	15	8	23	23	....	....	....	....	10	....	....	4	6	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Whitehall, Redeemer	21	25	12	37	30	5	...	5	....	21	2	...	3	17	20	8	..	22	3	....	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	50
Sundry Scat'rd Com'nc'nts	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	§	60	....	....	....	....	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Belding	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	‡	9	....	....	....	....	9	....	....	....	....	....	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Grand Ledge	11	29	7	36	26	2	3	5	4	15	7	...	2	8	10	2	..	8	...	3	11	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Luther, S. James'	12	30	24	54	45	1	...	3	....	18	..	8	4	13	17	4	1	12	....	3	15	....	1	2	2	4	....	....	....	25	....	....
Schoolcr'ft, S. Stephen's	15	28	8	36	33	....	2	1	....	24	2	2	....	....	24	10	..	22	....	2	24	....	....	1	5	6	3	11	14	....	60
Stanton, Grace	7	11	7	18	17	....	....	....	....	9	....	....	1	8	9	1	..	2	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total Missions	591	928	676	1839	1517	80	30	110	54	915	84	69	187	541	938	227	16	794	85	284	1201	24	27	21	64	88	177	262	629	359	685
Total Parishes	2506	3963	1972	6095	6944	236	143	379	317	4236	479	374	762	2053	4414	892	68	2275	538	1192	4000	106	200	63	155	218	642	976	1908	811	1967
Grand Total	3097	4891	2648	7924	8451	316	173	489	371	5151	563	443	949	2594	4942	1119	84	3089	613	1476	5201	130	227	84	219	306	819	1238	2537	1170	2652

§ Same as Communicants. † Estimated ‡ From Previous Reports.

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APPENDIX F—MISCELLANEOUS.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1895.

CLERGY—		
Bishop	1	
Priests	32	
Deacons	1	
		34
Ordinations to the Priesthood		1
Candidates for Holy Orders		4
Postulants		2
Lay Readers Licensed		14
Number of Church Buildings		48
Churches Opened		1
Churches Consecrated		0
Corner Stones Laid		1
Missions Organized		1
Number of Parishes		26
Organized Missions		25
Unorganized Missions		9
BAPTISMS—		
Infants	316	
Adults	173	
		489
Confirmations, Bishop's Report		397
Marriages		130
Burials		227
No. Families reported		3097

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No. of Souls reported	7924
No. of Baptized Persons reported	8451
Sunday School Teachers and Officers reported	306
Sunday School Scholars reported	2537
Whole number of Confirmed reported	5151
Communicants reported	4942

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY—

Churches and Chapels	$450,662 16	
Rectories	48,350 00	
Total Property		$499,012 16
Total Insurance carried		$104,300 00
Total Indebtedness		$71,694 59

SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—

Communion Alms	$ 907 42	
Salaries and Current Expenses, including Insurance and interest	38,475 21	
Increase of Church Property	13,636 92	
Reduction of Indebtedness	2,085 70	
For Sunday Schools	902 20	
Balance in hands of Treasurers	2,316 65	
Total		$54,319 23

FOR DIOCESAN OBJECTS—

Diocesan Missions	$ 1,929 02	
Diocesan Assessment	1,729 09	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	201 94	
Bishop's Trust Fund	202 39	
By Woman's Auxiliary	45 00	
By Sunday Schools	112 75	
Deaf Mute Fund	34 98	
Akeley Institute	41 25	
Other Objects in the Diocese	32 72	
Total		$ 4,205 99

FOR OBJECTS EXTERIOR TO THE DIOCESE—

Domestic Missions	$ 984 99	
Foreign Missions	536 03	
Missions to Colored People	2 50	
Indian Missions	5 50	

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Jewish Missions	58 21	
Bible and Prayer Book Society	21 97	
American Church Building Fund	69 89	
By Women's Societies	615 63	
By Sunday Schools	409 08	
Other Objects	76 98	
Total		$ 1,761 41
Total for all purposes, including balances		$61,188 90

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ASSESSMENT FOR 1895

OF

Parishes and Missions in the Diocese of Western Michigan.

RATE 5 PER CENT.

PARISHES:—		
Albion, S. James'	$ 530 00	26 50
Allegan, Good Shepherd	659 50	32 98
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	3216 52	160 82
Big Rapids, S. Andrews'	1407 82	70 39
Coldwater, S. Mark's	1330 48	66 52
Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	902 96	45 14
Grand Haven, S. John's	893 02	46 65
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	6352 08	317 60
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	618 03	30 90
Grand Rapids, Grace	2576 00	128 80
Grand Rapids, Trinity	1150 00	57 50
Hastings, Emmanuel	1222 36	61 11
Holland, Grace	236 15	11 80
Homer, Christ's	381 49	19 07
Ionia, S. John's	1798 14	89 91
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	4370 85	218 54
Ludington, Grace	34 35	1 71
Marshall, Trinity	1478 88	73 94
Manistee, Holy Trinity	1061 64	53 08
Muskegon, S. Paul's	1606 98	80 35
Niles, Trinity	1444 42	72 22
Saugatuck, All Saints'	.....	69
Three Rivers, Trinity	96 16	4 81
Traverse City, Grace	442 38	22 12
Union City, Grace	.....	2 54
ORGANIZED MISSIONS:—		
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	544 50	27 22
Charlotte, Grace	686 89	34 35
Charlevoix, Christ's	.....	5 12
Cassopolis, S. James'	.....	5 52
Central Lake, S. Matthias'	63 00	3 15
East Jordan, Redeemer	74 90	3 75
Grand Rapids, S. John's	180 00	9 00
Grand Rapids, S. Matthew's	171 84	8 59
Grand Rapids, S. Beda	.....	98
Greenville, S. Paul'	.....	20 11
Muskegon, S. Luke's	67 38	3 36
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	437 47	21 87
Newaygo, S. Mark's	162 80	8 14
Pentwater, S. James'	81 10	4 05
Petoskey, Emmanuel	.....	22 04
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	10 00	50
Quincy, S. John's	.....	6 56
Sturgis, S. John's	146 79	7 34
Whitehall, Redeemer	55 11	2 76

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A Calendar for the Conventional Year.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

It shall be the duty of the minister of every parish, mission and congregation in the Diocese to make a collection for Diocesan missions once a month, or by stated pledge from the members of the parish or congregation, and remit the proceeds to the treasurer of the Board of Missions of the Diocese quarterly. Canon XIX, Sec. 4.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity—A discourse on Cruelty to Animals, (Epistle).

Sunday before July 4—Some national topic.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity—Offering for Deaf Mute Missions, (Gospel).

Sunday after September Ember Days—Offering for the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.

September—The Convocations meet.

October—Prison Sunday as appointed.

November—Second Sunday, offering for American Church Building Fund Commission. The Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference.

Thanksgiving Day—The suggestion of a sermon on Civil Service Reform has the endorsement of a number of Bishops.

The Eve of St. Andrew's Day—Intercession for Missions.

Advent Sunday—Offering for Domestic Missions.

Christmas Day—Offerings for Diocesan Fund for the Disabled Clergy, etc. Canon XIV, Sec. 1.

Second Sunday after the Epiphany—Offerings for Foreign Missions.

First Sunday after the Epiphany—Schools and Colleges.

Sundays after Epiphany—Offerings in Sunday schools for church building in the Diocese.

Wednesday before Quinquagesima Sunday—The Quiet Day for the Clergy.

Good Friday—Offering for Jewish Missions.

The week after the first Sunday after Easter—The Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference.

Fourth Sunday after Easter—Offerings for Indian Missions and Missions for Colored People.

Whitsunday—Offerings for Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies.

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Changes Since the Convention.

Henry D. Chambers and Carl Reed Taylor have been ordered deacons.

The church at Charlevoix has been opened.

Charles Willoughby Vincent has been admitted a postulant.

Rev. H. D. Chambers has been appointed by the Bishop to the charge of Grace church, Ludington.

The services of Rev. Thomas H. Henley, deacon, at Homer, have terminated.

C. R. Stearns, postulant, has been transferred to the missionary jurisdiction of the Platte.

Rules of Order.

OF THE OPENING OF THE CONVENTION AND THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. Each session of the Convention shall be opened with prayer; the morning session with the Daily Morning Prayer. On the first day the Order of Business shall be as follows: Provided, that when the first session of the Convention is an evening session, this order may be proceeded with as far as judged convenient, and resumed the next morning.

1st. The President having taken the chair, the Convention shall be called to order, and the Secretary of the preceding Convention (or, in his absence, the Secretary *pro tempore*, to be elected *viva voce*) shall call out the names of clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter into the JOURNAL the names of those who are present.

2d. The names of the parishes and missions entitled to representation shall be called, and the lay delegates from each shall present their certificates of election, which shall be referred to a committee of two clergymen to report thereon.

3d. On the acceptance of their report, the roll of the lay delegates elected shall be called, and the President shall declare the Convention organized.

4th. Irregular and defective certificates shall be reported to the Convention, which shall decide on the admission of the delegates therein named.

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5th. A Secretary shall be elected by ballot, who may appoint an assistant, subject to the approval of the Convention.

6th. If the Treasurer of the Convention be absent, a Treasurer *pro tempore* shall be elected *viva voce.*

7th. The President shall appoint the following Standing Committees :

On Admission of Parishes and Missions into Union with the Convention—consisting of two clergymen and one layman.

On the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen—consisting of three laymen.

On the Report of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan—consisting of two clergymen and three laymen.

On the Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions—consisting of two clergymen and three laymen.

On Unfinished Business—consisting of one clergyman and two laymen.

On Christian Education and Akeley Institute—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

On Canons—consisting of two clergymen and two laymen.

On Church Literature—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

On State of the Church—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

8th. The reports of the Standing Committees, the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, shall then be presented and referred to the appropriate committees.

9th. The report of the Standing Committee on unfinished business shall then be presented.

10th. Wednesday evening of the Convention shall be devoted to a general missionary meeting for reading the report of the Board of Missions, delivering addresses, and to transact any other business which may promote missionary zeal and work in the Diocese.

11th. The Bishop's address shall then be in order.

12th. The Parochial reports shall be presented to the Bishop when he sees fit to call for them.

13th. Miscellaneous business.

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SECTION 2. On the second and each subsequent day the Order of Business shall be as follows:

1st. The roll of the clergy and lay delegates called.

2d. Reading the minutes of the previous day.

3d. Elections.

4th. Reports of the Standing Committees in their order in Rule 7th.

5th. Reports of Special Committees.

6th. Miscellaneous business.

SECTION 3. On the first morning of the Convention, immediately before the mid-day recess, shall be made nominations for Treasurer of the Convention, Registrar of the Diocese, Standing Committees, Board of Missions, Members of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, other than the *ex-officio* members of such Association, not exceeding ten in number, and the number to be fixed by resolution before the nominations are made, and in that year in which a General Convention is to be held, Deputies to the General Convention, and Members of the Missionary Council.

Nominations for Supplemental Deputies to the General Convention shall not be made until after the Deputies have been elected. When nominations are made for any office, the names shall be recorded in the order in which they are presented.

The Secretary shall cause all names proposed for any office to be printed on separate tickets, and the voting shall be by erasing the names of those for whom the members do not wish to vote. Separate ballots shall be taken for each office, and the election shall be the first business in order on the second morning of the Convention.

SECTION 4. In case the Bishop shall withdraw from the sittings of the Convention, he shall appoint a Presbyter to preside during his absence.

2d. Before the final adjournment of the Convention, the minutes of the session about to close shall be read and corrected, and signed by the President and attested by the Secretary.

3d. No resolution shall be entertained until it shall have been reduced to writing; and no motion shall be considered as before the Convention until it is seconded, and when seconded it shall be stated by the President.

4th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received unless to lay it on the table, to postpone to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it; and motions

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for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. A motion to adjourn and a motion to lay on the table shall be always in order, and shall be decided without debate.

5th. A question being decided, it shall not be re-considered at the same annual session without the consent of two-thirds of the members present; nor without a motion being made by one of the majority on the prior decision.

6th. Every member present when a motion is put shall vote thereon, unless excused by the Convention.

7th. On the requisition of any two members, the yeas and nays shall be called and entered on the JOURNAL. (Concerning the vote by orders, see Constitution, Article VII.)

8th. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention; and when he may deem it advisable he may appoint, on a committee to report to the next Convention, a person qualified to be a delegate who is not a member of the Convention.

9th. When a member desires to speak, he shall arise and address the President in an audible voice. If more than one member arises, the President shall determine the preference.

10th. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without leave of the Convention.

11th. No member shall withdraw from the Convention without leave asked and voted.

ERRATA.

On page 56, in the list of nominations for trustees of Akeley Institute, "Mr. W. L. Downing" should be Mr. W. L. Dewing.

On page 83, after the name of Mr. D. G. Robinson, in the teller's report, insert the following:

Mr. George D. Sanford received.....39

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Twenty-second Annual Convention

of the

Diocese of Western Michigan.

Will be held in S. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, commencing on TUESDAY, JUNE 2nd, A. D. 1896, at half-past seven P. M.

J. N. RIPPEY, Secretary.

A FORM OF BEQUEST.

To the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, a body Corporate under the Laws of the State of Michigan, and empowered to receive and hold any property, real or personal, for the use and benefit of said Diocese:

I hereby give, devise and bequeath, unto the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan the sum of..... ..Dollars for

(a) The uses and purposes of said Association; or

(b) For the uses of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen and Widows and Orphans of the Clergy; or

(c) For the uses of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese; or

(d) For the Missions of the Diocese; or

(e) For the Rectory Building Fund, or for any other specific use of the Diocese; or

(f) For.....Parish.....the annual proceeds thereof to be devoted to the support of the Rector, or to repairs of the Church or to any other Parochial object specified.

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IN THE

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN

WHICH MET IN

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, KALAMAZOO,

ON

TUESDAY-THURSDAY, JUNE 2-4, 1896.

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COMMITTEE:

TO REPORT AT THE NEXT CONVENTION.

Committee on Confederation of Dioceses.

The Rev. Marcus H. Martin.

The Rev. L. C. Rogers.

Mr. Wm. B. Williams.

Mr. Wm. R. Shelby.

Important to Parishes.

The Corporate term of existence of a Parish, like most other corporations, is thirty years only. (*See Constitution of the State of Michigan, Art. XV; Sec. 10.*) The Laws of 1889, Act 110, provide for the method by which this term may be extended for a further period of thirty years. (*See Howell's Annotated Statutes, Vol. III, Sec. 4904 [c].*)

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DIGEST OF THE CANONS.

TITLE I—CANON 18.

GENERAL REGULATION OF MINISTERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

§ 1. [1] It is hereby required that, on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form or to this effect:

We, the Church Wardens (or in case of an Assistant Minister, we, the Rector and Church Wardens), to the Right Rev. (naming the Bishop), or to the Rev. (naming the President of the Standing Committee) that (naming the person) has been duly chosen Rector (or Assistant Minister, as the case may be) of (naming the Parish or Church).

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of those who certify.

N. B.—The *date* of election to the Rectorship should be given in the Canonical notice sent to the Bishop.

§ 2. No minister moving from one Diocese or Missionary District to another shall officiate as the Rector or Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate in the words following:

I do hereby certify that the Rev. A—— B—— has been Canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a minister in regular standing.

TITLE II.—CANON 12.

REGULATIONS RESPECTING THE LAITY.

§ 1. A Communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a Communicant until such letter shall be produced.

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

CANON IX—OF VACANT CHURCHES.

SECTION 1. Whenever a Church becomes vacant it shall be the duty of the Vestry to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop.

SEC. 2. Prior to the election of a Minister to any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall inform the Bishop of the name and residence of the person they propose to elect; and it shall be unlawful for the Parish or Vestry to take action on any name until the receipt of the Bishop's acknowledgment of such notification and of his accompanying suggestion, if there be any: Provided, he be at the time within the territory of the United States, and that his reply be not deferred longer than thirty days after the receipt of such notification. On the election of a Minister, they shall deliver or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, a notice of the same; and if the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee be satisfied that the person so chosen be a qualified Minister of the Church, and accepts the same, the Bishop or Standing Com-

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mittee shall transmit the said certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book for that purpose, and such record shall be legal evidence of the certified relationship between the Minister and the Parish. If, after the expiration of six months the Vestry of the Church which has become vacant shall fail to call or settle a Minister, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to appoint one, and he shall notify the Vestry of such appointment, and upon their concurrence, the Minister so appointed shall become Rector of the Church.

SEC. 3. The Bishop may appoint Clergy in the Diocese, or others who can with most convenience discharge the duty, to supply such Vacant Parishes, at such time as may be deemed convenient and proper. It shall be the duty of such vacant churches thus supplied to defray all the expenses incidental to such occasional services.

THE BISHOP'S TRUST FUND.

Resolved, That at the Episcopal visitations the offerings, after the Bishop's travelling expenses have been paid, be hereafter devoted to a Bishop's Trust Fund.—Convention, 1889.

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DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN
A. D., 1896.

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

The Right Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., Grand Rapids.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Grand Rapids.
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, Assistant Secretary.

REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE.

The Rev. A. E. Wells, Traverse City.

TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION, OF THE CHRISTMAS FUND AND FOR ALL OBJECTS OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery, Ionia.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., President.
The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne, Secretary, Kalamazoo.
The Rev. Joseph W. Bancroft.
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs.
Mr. J. Davidson Burns.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.
Mr. F. A. Gorham.

THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Right Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., President, Grand Rapids.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, Secretary, Niles.
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The Rev. Wm. Lucas.
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The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs.
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Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Mr. Geo. Willard.

COURT OF APPEALS.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft.
Mr. N. P. Loveridge.

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The Rev. P. W. Mosher, in charge of "The First Examination."
The Rev. M. H. Martin, in charge of "The Second Examination."
The Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., in charge of "The Third Examination."
The Rev. Lewis Brown, in charge of "The Examination of the literary qualifications of a Postulant or Candidate, and of a Candidate for the office and ministration of a Deacon only.

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The Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION EX-OFFICIO.

The Bishop, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the Registrar, the members of the Standing Committee and of the Board of Missions, and the following members elected by the Convention:

Mr. Henry Brees.
Mr. Fred. A. Gorham.
Mr. Noah P. Loveridge.
Mr. W. J. Stuart.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

President—The Right Reverend, the Bishop.
Secretary—The Secretary of the Convention.
Treasurer—Mr. Frederick A. Gorham, Grand Rapids.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D.
The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D.
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CONVOCATIONS.

Grand Rapids—The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., President. The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Secretary, Grand Rapids.
Kalamazoo—The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, President. The Rev. W. W. Taylor, Secretary, Hastings.

SEMI-ANNUAL MISSIONARY MEETING AND DIOCESAN CHURCH CONFERENCE.

Secretary and Treasurer—Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Benton Harbor.

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Selected by the General Convention:
The Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., Grand Haven.
The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., Grand Rapids.
Mr. J. M. Parsons.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes, Allegan.
Chosen by the Convention:
The Rev. Herbert Sowerby, Coldwater.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes, Allegan.

LOCAL SECRETARIES AND OFFICERS.

For Domestic Missions—The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Benton Harbor.
For Foreign Missions—The Rev. W. W. Taylor, Hastings.
Nashotah House—The Rev. W. E. Wright, B. D., Big Rapids.
Church House, London, England—Hon. Diocesan Secretary, Rev. Thomas Hines, Manistee.

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Vice-President—The Rt. Rev. George. D. Gillespie, D. D.
Diocesan Commissioner—The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.

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Diocesan Secretary—The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.

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A LIST OF THE CLERGY.

In the Order of Their Canonical Residence.

THE RT. REV. GEORGE DE NORMANDIE GILLESPIE, D. D.
Consecrated February 24, 1875.

NAME	RECEIVED	FROM WHAT DIOCESE.
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, A. B.	Dec. 2, 1874	Michigan
The Rev. Moseley Morris	Dec. 2, 1874	Michigan
The Rev. John Newton Rippey, M. D.	Nov. 30, 1884	Southern Ohio
The Rev. J. Rice Taylor, M. A.	Feb. 20, 1885	Vermont
The Rev. Henry Hughes	Sept. 6, 1886	Michigan
The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.	Nov. 20, 1886	Maryland
The Rev. Woodford P. Law	Nov. 26, 1887	Iowa
The Rev. Albert E. Wells, B. D.	April 3, 1888	Nebraska
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.	April 17, 1888	Central New York
The Rev. Wm. H. VanAntwerp, D. D.	Oct. 15, 1889	Iowa
The Rev. H. H. Johnston	Nov. 11, 1889	Toronto, Canada
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	Feb. 21, 1890	Nebraska
The Rev. Marcus H. Martin, A. M.	Jan. 15, 1891	Ohio
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, S. T. B.	Jan. 29, 1891	Albany
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, B. A.	Jan. 31, 1891	Albany
The Rev. Thomas Hines	Oct. 14, 1891	Chicago
The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne	Feb. 25, 1892	Ohio
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff	Oct. 1, 1892	Michigan
The Rev. W. W. Taylor	Nov. 6, 1892	Pennsylvania
The Rev. W. E. Wright, B. D.	Mar. 28, 1893	Long Island
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, Ph. D.	May 5, 1893	Long Island
The Rev. L. C. Rogers	Nov. 5, 1893	Michigan
The Rev. W. Westover	May 22, 1894	Quincy
The Rev. Lewis Brown	Feb. 7, 1894	Southern Ohio
The Rev. Sydney Beckwith	Aug. 14, 1894	Michigan
The Rev. Edward M. Duff	Oct. 11, 1894	Michigan
The Rev. Karl G. Oppen, D. D.	Oct. 21, 1894	Milwaukee
The Rev. Herbert Sowerby	Mar. 26, 1895	Shanghai
The Rev. Willlam Lucas	June 4, 1895	The Platte
The Rev. H. D. Chambers	June 11, 1895	Ordination
The Rev. Carl R. Taylor	June 23, 1895	Ordination
The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall	Dec. 22, 1895	Ordination

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CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN, JUNE 2, 1896.

Those marked * are not entitled to seats in the Convention—Constitution, Art. 6. Those in italics were not present.

BISHOP.

The Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese (Consecrated S. Matthias' Day, February 24th, A. D., 1875), Episcopal residence, 162 Fountain Street, Grand Rapids.

PRESBYTERS.

Bancroft, Joseph W., A. B, General Missionary, Kalamazoo Convocation, Hastings.
Beckwith, Sidney, Rector Trinity Church, Marshall.
Brown, Lewis, B. D., Rector S. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek.
Claiborne, Robert R., Rector, S. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo.
Duff, Edward M., A. M., Rector S. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids.
Fair, Campbell, D. D., Rector S. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids.
Gairdner, R. H. F., Rector Trinity Church, Niles.
Hines, Thomas, Rector Holy Trinity Church, Manistee.
Hubbs, J. Brewster, S. T. B., Rector Grace Church, and in charge of S. John's Mission, Grand Rapids.
*Hughes, Henry.
Johnston, Henry H., Rector Trinity Church, Grand Rapids.
Law, Woodford P., General Missionary, Grand Rapids Convocation, Grand Rapids.
Lucas, Wm., Rector Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan.
Martin, Marcus H., A. M., Missionary S. James', Rockford; P. O. Grand Rapids.
Morris, Moseley, P. O. Kalamazoo.
Mosher, Philip W., B. A., Rector S. Paul's Church, and in charge of S. Luke's Mission, Muskegon.
*Oppen, Carl E. G., Chicago.
Rippey, John N., M. D., Rector S. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids.
Rogers, L. C., Rector S. John's Church, Grand Haven.
Sowerby, Herbert, Rector S. Mark's Church, Coldwater.
Taylor, W. W., B. A., Rector Emanuel Church, Hastings.
Taylor, J. Rice, M. A., P. O. Hastings.
Thomas, W. H., Ph. D., Rector S. John's Church, Ionia.
*Van Antwerp, Wm. H,, D. D., Rector Grace Church, Holland.
Wells, Albert E., B. D., Rector Grace Church, Traverse City.
Westover, Wm.. Missionary, S. John's, Mt. Pleasant.
Wilkinson, James E., Ph. D., Chaplain of Akeley Institute, Grand Haven.
Woodruff, Montgomery S., Missionary Holy Trinity Mission, Benton Harbor, and S. Paul's Mission, St. Joseph. P. O. Benton Harbor.
Wright, W. E., A. M., B. D., Rector S. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids.

DEACONS.

Chambers, H. D., Minister and Missionary, Grace Church, Ludington.
*Mendenhall, Cyrus, Chaplain House of Correction, Ionia.
Taylor, Carl R., Minister and Missionary, S. James' Mission, Sturgis, and S. Paul's Church, Mendon.

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OFFICIATING IN THE DIOCESE.

Mann, Austin W., General Missionary to deaf mutes, P. O. Gambier, Ohio.
Reeves, Abraham, M. D., officiating at S. John's Mission, Grand Rapids.

LAY DELEGATES.

List of Lay Delegates in attendance at any time during the Convention who were heard to answer to their names:

Allegan, Good Shepherd—Mr. Wm. B. Williams.
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'—Mr. George Willard, Mr. J. E. Nelson, Mr. A. T. Metcalf.
Coldwater, S. Mark's—Mr. N. P. Loveridge.
Grand Haven, S. John's—Mr. George D. Sanford.
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's—Mr. Wm. R. Shelby, Mr. Wm. J. Stewart, Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Grand Rapids, Grace—Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.
Hastings, Emanuel—Mr. D. G. Robinson, Mr. Ira Van Valkenburg.
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's—Mr. A. J. Mills, Mr. J. Davidson Burns, Mr. Horace F. Cornell, Mr. R. H. Buckout, alternate.
Ionia, S. John's—Mr. Harry E. Spencer, Mr. Cyrus Mendenhall, Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery.
Manistee, Holy Trinity—Mr. Thomas Smurthwaite.
Marshall, Trinity—Mr. George Perrett, Mr. Louis S. Joy, Mr. Wm. J. Dibble.
Mendon, S. Paul's—Mr. E. M. King, Mr. George W. Hall.
Muskegon, S. Paul's—Mr. Hugh J. Minhinnick.
Three Rivers, Trinity—Mr. C. E. Jameson.
Luther, Christ—Mr. Fred. Barghorne.
Sturgis, S. James'—Mr. Justin J. Wait.

THE CONVOCATIONS.

KALAMAZOO.

Secretary—REV. W. W. TAYLOR, Hastings.

GRAND RAPIDS.

Secretary—REV. WOODFORD P. LAW, Grand Rapids.

List of Parishes, and when admitted to the Convention, and of Missions and of their date of organization.

KALAMAZOO CONVOCATION—Population, 322,538.

PARISHES.

Albion, S. James'	Admitted	1840
Allegan, *Good Shepherd	"	1860
Battle Creek, *†S. Thomas'	"	1842
Coldwater, †S. Mark's	"	1848
Hastings, †Emmanuel	"	1864
Homer, Christ	"	1841
Kalamazoo, *†S. Luke's	"	1838
Marshall, *Trinity	"	1836
Mendon, S. Paul's		
Niles, *Trinity	"	1834
Saugatuck, All Saints	"	1869
Union City, Grace	"	1865

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ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	Organized	1882
Cassopolis, ‡S. James'	"	1891
Charlotte, Grace	Reorganized	1888
Quincy, S. John's	Organized	1882
Sturgis, ‡S. James'	"	1890
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	"	1891
Three Rivers, Trinity	"	1896
St. Joseph, S. Paul's	"	1896

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS,

Otsego, Schoolcraft, Portland.

SUSPENDED PARISHES.

Kalamazoo, S. John's	Date of Suspension		1884
St. Joseph, *Christ	"	"	1879
Burr Oak, Grace	"	"	1880
Paw Paw, *S. Mark's	"	"	1891
Three Rivers, *Trinity	"	"	18..

MISSIONS.

South Haven, Trinity	Date of suspension		1884
Plainwell, Trinity	"	"	1883
Eaton Rapids, S. Matthias	"	"	1891

*Organized Missions.

GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION.—Population 472,431.

PARISHES.

Big Rapids, *S. Andrew's	Admitted	1873
Elk Rapids, *S. Paul's	"	1871
Grand Haven, *S. John's	"	1866
Grand Rapids, *S. Mark's	"	1836
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	"	1872
Grand Rapids, *Grace	"	1879
Grand Rapids, Trinity	"	1886
Holland, Grace	"	1868
Ionia, †S. John's	"	1841
Ludington, Grace	"	1883
Muskegon, *†S. Paul's	"	1867
Manistee, *Holy Trinity	"	1889
Saranac, Trinity	"	1860
Traverse City, Grace	"	1877

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Baldwin, *S. Matthew's	Organized	1879
Coopersville, Epiphany	"	1877
Charlevoix, Christ's	"	1887
Central Lake, S. Matthias'	"	1893
Greenville, S. Paul's	"	1881
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's	"	1893
Harbor Springs, S. John's	"	1883
Luther, Christ	"	1896
Mancelona, Nativity	"	1896
Mt. Pleasant, *S. John's	"	1886
Muskegon, S. Luke's	"	1890
Newaygo, S. Mark's	"	1876
North Grand Rapids, S. Matthew's	"	1892
Pentwater, S. James'	"	1877
Petoskey, Emmanuel	"	1887
Rockford, S. James'	"	1887

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South Grand Rapids, S. John's	Organized	1892
Tustin, S. Johannes	"	....
East Jordan, Redeemer	"	1887
Whitehall, Redeemer	"	1892

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Grand Ledge, Hart, Reed City, Sherman, Frankfort.

SUSPENDED PARISHES.

Courtland, S. Paul		1877
Plainfield, Christ		1877
*Greenville, S. Paul's	"	1879
*Whitehall, Redeemer	"	1891

MISSIONS.

Howard City	1884
Evart, S. Paul's	1891
Stanton, Grace	1892
Farwell, Trinity	1882
Hersey, Grace	1882

*Organized Missions.

TOTAL—Parishes, 25; Organized Missions, 28; whole number of places where services are held, 61.

Table of population by Counties and Convocations, according to the Census of 1890.

KALAMAZOO CONVOCATION.

Allegan	38,961	Cass	20,953
Barry	23,783	Eaton	32,094
Berrien	41,285	Kalamazoo	39,273
Branch	26,791	St. Joseph	25,356
Calhoun	43,501	Van Buren	30,541

Total Population.....322,538.

Increase since 1884 ..... 7,190.

GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION.

Antrim	10,413	Manistee	24,230
Benzie	5,237	Manitou	860
Charlevoix	9,686	Mason	16,385
Clare	7,558	Mecosta	19,697
Emmet	8,756	Missaukee	5,048
Grand Traverse	13,355	Montcalm	32,637
Ionia	32,801	Muskegon	40,013
Isabella	18,784	Newaygo	20,476
Kalkaska	5,160	Oceana	15,698
Kent	109,922	Osceola	14,630
Lake	6,505	Ottawa	35,358
Leelenaw	7,944	Wexford	11,278

Total.....472,431.

Increase since 1884 ..... 45,906.

Rate of increase..... 7 1-7 per cent.

Rate of increase of Communicants. 32 1-5 per cent.

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*Has a Rectory. †Has both Church and Chapel. ‡Has a room.

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DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

A LIST OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS

Having stated Sunday services, and holding or having held for its benefit real estate, and contributing to their own support, and that of the Diocese.

PARISHES.

Albion..... St. James	Homer.....Christ
Allegan..... Good Shepherd	Ionia.....S. John's
Battle Creek.....S. Thomas	Kalamazoo.....S. Luke's
Big Rapids.....S. Andrews'	Ludington .....Grace
Coldwater.....S. Mark's	Marshall .....Trinity
Elk Rapids .....S. Paul's	Mendon.....S. Paul's
Grand Haven.....S. John's	Muskegon.....S. Paul's
Grand Rapids.....S. Mark's	Niles .....Trinity
Grand Rapids.....S. Paul's	Three Rivers.....Trinity
Grand Rapids ..... Grace	Traverse City .....Grace
Grand Rapids..... Trinity	Union City.....Grace
Hastings.....Emmanuel	Grand Rapids.....Trinity
Holland .....Grace	Manistee.....Holy Trinity

MISSIONS.

Benton Harbor.....Holy Trinity	Petoskey.....Emmanuel
Charlotte..... Grace	East Jordan.....Redeemer
Charlevoix.....Christ	Whitehall .....Redeemer
Greenville.....S. Paul's	Quincy.....S. John's
Grand Rapids.....S. John's	Rockford.....S. James'
Harbor Springs.....S. John's	Muskegon.....S. Luke's
Mt. Pleasant .....S. John's	Grand Rapids.....S. Matthew's
Newaygo.....S. Mark's	Sturgis.....S. John's
Pentwater.....S. James'	Central Lake..... S. Matthias'

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JOURNAL.

S. LUKE'S CHURCH, Kalamazoo, Mich.
June 2, 1896.

The 22nd Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan met in S. Luke's Church, on Tuesday, June 2, 1896, at 7:30 p. m., and was called to order by the Bishop, who bade the members to silent prayer for God's blessing upon the work of the Convention.

The Secretary read Article VI of the Constitution, and Canon 1, Sections 1 and 2, of the organization of the Convention.

The Roll of the Clergy entitled to seats was called and the following answered to their names:

Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie.
The Rev. Joseph W. Bancroft.
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.
The Rev. Sydney Beckwith.
The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne.
The Rev. E. M. Duff.
The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
The Rev. Thomas Hines.
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, S. T. B.
The Rev. Woodford P. Law.
The Rev. Wm. Lucas.
The Rev. Marcus H. Martin.
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, B. A.
The Rev. John N. Rippey, M. D.
The Rev. L. C. Rogers.
The Rev. W. W. Taylor.
The Rev. W. H. Thomas, Ph. D.
The Rev. Albert E. Wells, B. D.
The Rev. Wm. Westover.
The Rev. Montgomery S. Woodruff.
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph.D.
The Rev. W. E. Wright, A. M., B. D.
The Rev. Henry D. Chambers.
The Rev. C. R. Taylor.

The Roll of those not entitled to seats was called, and the following responded to their names:

The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D. The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall.

The Roll of the Parishes and Missions entitled to seats in the Convention was called.

The Treasurer of the Convention presented a list of Parishes and Missions entitled to representation.

The credentials of Lay Delegates were presented.

The President appointed the Rev. Philip W. Mosher and the Rev. Wm. Westover a Committee on Credentials.

While the Committee was preparing its report, Evening Prayer was said by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Robt. R. Claiborne, Cyrus Mendenhall, H. D. Chambers and Carl R. Taylor.

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The Committee on Credentials made the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials reports as follows:

We have examined the credentials presented and have compared them with the list of Parishes and Missions entitled to representation at this Convention and we find the following certificates correct:

Battle Creek, S. Thomas'—Messrs. George Willard, Abram T. Metcalf and John E. Nelson. Alternates—Messrs. William Andrus, Fred. C. Stillson, Arthur D. Smith and Charles F. Bock.

Grand Haven, S. John's—Messrs. George D. Sanford, N. I. Beaudry and E. Stanton Bliss. Alternates—Messrs. Richard C. Duryea. John McFie, George W. Felger.

Grand Rapids, Grace—Messrs. Jacob Kleinhans, Collins H. Johnston, William H. Jones. Alternates—Messrs. Charles K. Seymour, George E. Luther, Wm. H. Raiguel.

Grand Rapids, S. Mark's—Messrs. Wm. R. Shelby, Wm. J. Stuart, F. A. Gorham. Alternates—Messrs. J. H. Campbell, C. G. A. Voigt, C. G. Swensberg.

Ionia, S. John's—Mr. Harry E. Spencer. Alternates—Messrs. James Vosper, Ethan T. Montgomery.

Hastings, Emmanuel—Messrs. David G. Robinson, John F. Goodyear, Ira Van Valkenburg. Alternates—Messrs. Marcus W. Riker, Joseph S. Van Arman, James M. Hewes.

Kalamazoo, S. Luke's—Messrs. A. J. Mills, J. Davidson Burns, Horace F. Cornell. Alternates—Messrs. R. H. Buckhout, F. M. Clark, David Fisher.

Marshall, Trinity—Messrs. George Perrett, James M. Parsons, Louis S. Joy. Alternates—Messrs. William J. Dibble, Ralph S. Garwood, Andrew Chrystal.

Muskegon, S. Paul's—Messrs. Hugh J. Minhinnick, Elbridge G. Rote, James Snow. Alternates—Messrs. Wm. Heap, Sidney S. Morris, Wm. K. Gordon.

Muskegon, S. Luke's—Mr. Alfred Bullock.

Coldwater, S. Mark's—Messrs. Noah P. Loveridge, Edwin Post, Harry P. Woodward. Alternates—Messrs. Samuel Pollock, John T. Starr, Edwin Mansel.

Mt. Pleasant, S. John's—Mr. John English.

We further report that S. John's, Ionia, has elected the Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall, who being a deacon, is not eligible to be a lay delegate, and S. Paul's, Mendon, is not reported on the list of the treasurer, but has elected Messrs. George Hall, Eli Cole, and E. N. King. as delegates, and as alternates, Messrs. Asa Pomeroy, George E. Sanford, George H. Hart.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP W. MOSHER,
WILLIAM WESTOVER,
Committee.

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The Secretary called the list of Lay Delegates entitled to seats. The following answerd to their names:

Mr. John E Nelson.
Mr. George D. Sanford.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.
Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Mr. D. G. Robinson.
Mr. A. J. Mills.
Mr. J. Davidson Burns.
Mr. Horace F. Cornell.
Mr. Wm. J. Dibble.
Mr. Hugh J. Minhinnick.
Mr. George Hall.
Mr. E. M. King.
The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall.

The Bishop declared the 22nd Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan opened for the transaction of business, In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Rev. J. B. Hubbs moved that the Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall be admitted to a seat and vote as a Lay Delegate from St. John's Parish, Ionia. Adopted.

The election of Secretary being in order, the chair appointed the Rev. E. M. Duff and Mr. M. J. Minhinnick as tellers.

The Rev. J. B. Hubbs moved that the tellers cast the vote of the Convention for the Rev. J. N. Rippey. The tellers cast the vote as directed, and the Rev. J. N. Rippey was declared elected Secretary of the Convention.

The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs was appointed Assistant Secretary.

The Rev. A. E. Wells moved that the Rules of Order of the last Convention be made the Rules of Order of this Convention.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., moved to amend Rule 13, Section 2, by omitting the last line and inserting, in its stead, the following words, viz.: "Order of the day for four o'clock of that afternoon." Adopted.

The Rules of Order, as amended, were then adopted.

Rules of Order.

OF THE OPENING OF THE CONVENTION AND THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. Each session of the Convention shall be opened with prayer; the morning session with the Daily Morning Prayer. On the first day the Order of Business shall be as follows: Provided, that when the first session of the Convention is an evening session, this order may be proceeded with as far as judged convenient, and resumed the next morning.

1st. The President having taken the chair, the Convention shall be called to order, and the Secretary of the preceding Convention (or, in his absence, the Secretary *pro tempore*, to be elected *viva voce*) shall call out the names of clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter into the JOURNAL the names of those who are present.

2d. The names of the Parishes and Missions entitled to representation shall be called, and the Lay delegates from each shall present their certificates of election, which shall be referred to a committee of two clergymen to report thereon.

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3d. On the acceptance of their report, the roll of the Lay delegates elected shall be called, and the President shall declare the Convention organized.

4th. Irregular and defective certificates shall be reported to the Convention, which shall decide on the admission of the delegates therein named.

5th. A Secretary shall be elected by ballot, who may appoint an assistant, subject to the approval of the Convention.

6th. If the Treasurer of the Convention be absent, a Treasurer *pro tempore* shall be elected *viva voce*.

7th. The President shall appoint the following Standing Committees:

On Admission of Parishes and Missions into Union with the Convention—consisting of two clergymen and one layman.

On the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen—consisting of three laymen.

On the Report of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan—consisting of two clergymen and three laymen.

On the Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions—consisting of two clergymen and three laymen.

On Unfinished Business—consisting of one clergyman and two laymen.

On Christian Education and Akeley Institute—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

On Canons—consisting of two clergymen and two laymen.

On Church Literature—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

On State of the Church—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

8th. The reports of the Standing Committees, the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, shall then be presented and referred to the appropriate committees.

9th. The report of the Standing Committee on unfinished business shall then be presented.

10th. Wednesday evening of the Convention shall be devoted to a general missionary meeting for reading the report of the Board of Missions, delivering addresses, and to transact any other business which may promote missionary zeal and work in the Diocese.

11th. The Bishop's address shall then be in order.

12th. The Parochial reports shall be presented to the Bishop when he sees fit to call for them.

13th. Miscellaneous business.

SECTION 2. On the second and each subsequent day the Order of Business shall be as follows:

1st. The roll of the clergy and lay delegates called.
2d. Reading the minutes of the previous day.
3d. Elections.
4th. Reports of the Standing Committees in their order in Rule 7th.
5th. Reports of Special Committees.
6th. Miscellaneous business.

SECTION 3. On the first morning of the Convention, immediately before the mid-day recess, shall be made nominations for Treasurer of the Convention, Registrar of the Diocese, Standing Committee, Board of Missions, Members of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, other than the *ex-officio* members of such Association, not exceeding ten in number, and the number to be fixed by resolution before the nominations are made, and in that year in which a General Convention is to be held, Deputies to the General Convention, and Members of the Missionary Council.

Nominations for Supplemental Deputies to the General Convention shall not be made until after the Deputies have been elected. When nominations are made for any office, the names shall be recorded in the order in which they are presented.

The Secretary shall cause all names proposed for any office to be printed on separate tickets, and the voting shall be by erasing the names of those

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for whom the members do not wish to vote. Separate ballots shall be taken for each office, and the election shall be the order of the day from 4 o'clock of that afternoon.

SECTION 4. In case the Bishop shall withdraw from the sittings of the Convention, he shall appoint a Presbyter to preside during his absence.

2d. Before the final adjournment of the Convention, the minutes of the session about to close shall be read and corrected, and signed by the President and attested by the Secretary.

3d. No resolution shall be entertained until it shall have been reduced to writing; and no motion shall be considered as before the Convention until it is seconded, and when seconded it shall be stated by the President.

4th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received unless to lay it on the table, to postpone to a certain time, to postpone indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. A motion to adjourn and a motion to lay on the table shall be always in order, and shall be decided without debate.

5th. A question being decided, it shall not be re-considered at the same annual session without the consent of two-thirds of the members present; nor without a motion being made by one of the majority on the prior decision.

6th. Every member present when a motion is put shall vote thereon, unless excused by the Convention.

7th. On the requisition of any two members, the yeas and nays shall be called and entered on the JOURNAL. (Concerning the vote by orders, see Constitution, Article VII.)

8th. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention; and when he may deem it advisable he may appoint, on a committee to report to the next Convention, a person qualified to be a delegate who is not a member of the Convention.

9th. When a member desires to speak, he shall arise and address the President in an audible voice. If more than one member arises, the President shall determine the preference.

10th. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without leave of the Convention.

11th. No member shall withdraw from the Convention without leave asked and voted.

The Rev. M. H. Martin moved that the Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., be admitted to a seat and vote in the Convention. Adopted by a two-thirds vote.

The Rev. Wm. Wright moved that the Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall be admitted to a seat and vote in the Convention.

Lost for lack of a two-thirds vote.

A vote by orders was called for by five members of the Convention.

After a lengthy discussion Mr. A. J. Mills moved to lay it on the table. Carried.

The Bishop read his Diary of Visitations. (See Appendix.)

The Chair appointed the following Standing Committees:

On Admission of Parishes and Missions into Union with the Convention: The Rev. A. E. Wells, the Rev. H. H. Johnston, Mr George D. Sanford.

Committee on Canons: The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne, the Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, Mr. Jacob Kleinhans, Mr. F. A. Gorham.

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After singing the Doxology, the Convention took recess till half-past eight Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 1896—8:30 A. M.

Morning prayer was said by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. L. C. Rogers, M. S. Woodruff and E. M. Duff.

The Grand Rapids Convocation met and elected the Rev. Dr. Campbell Fair, President, and the Rev. Woodford P. Law, Secretary.

The Kalamazoo Convocation met and elected the Rev. J. W. Bancroft, President, and the Rev. W. W. Taylor as Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, 10 A. M.

Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Robt. R. Claiborne, Campbell Fair, D. D., Wm. Wright and J. W. Bancroft.

The Bishop read his Annual Address. (See Appendix.)

Convention was called to order by the President.

Nominations were in order:

TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery.

REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE.

Rev. Albert E. Wells.

STANDING COMMITTEE—CLERGY.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.
The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne.
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft.
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs.
The Rev. Lewis Brown.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D.D.
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.

LAY.

Mr. J. Davidson Burns.
Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes.
Mr. Wm. J. Dibble.
Mr. Wm. R. Shelby.
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.
Mr. George Willard.

BOARD OF MISSIONS—CLERGY.

The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs.
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher.
The Rev. Sidney Beckwith.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
The Rev. Wm. Lucas.
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas.
The Rev. L. C. Rogers.
The Rev. M. H. Martin.

LAY.

Mr. D. G. Robinson.
Mr. Wm. J. Dibble.
Mr. J. E. Nelson.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.
Mr. E. T. Montgomery.
Mr. George D. Sanford.
Mr. Horace F. Cornell.
Mr. David Fisher.
Mr. M. C. Burch.
Mr. E. F. Sweet.

MISSIONARY COUNCIL—CLERICAL.

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby.
The Rev. Lewis Brown.

LAY.

Mr. D. G. Robinson.
Mr. J. E. Nelson.

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COURT OF APPEALS—CLERICAL.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft. The Rev. Philip W. Mosher.

LAY.

Mr. W. J. Stuart. Mr. Thomas Smurthwaite.
Mr. N. P. Loveridge. Mr. George Willard.

The Committee on Credentials made a supplemental report.

REPORT.

Further, the Committee on Credentials report that certificates from the following Parishes and Missions have been presented and found correct:

Allegan, Good Shepherd—Messrs. Wm. B. Williams, Charles H. Adams. Alternates—Messrs. Alanson Lilley, Hannibal Hart, Edward T. Van Ostrand.

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity—Mr. James Pound. Alternate—Mr. A. T. Sharpe.

Sturgis, S. James—Mr. Justin J. Wait.

Ionia, S. John's—Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery.

Further, the Committee reports that Mr. Thomas Smurthwaite, of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Manistee, is present and reports that the Lay delegates by that Parish were, Messrs. E. S. Ellis, M. D., J. L. Sweetnam, and Thomas Smurthwaite.

Unfortunately, Mr. Smurthwaite, who is here, mislaid the certificate and the Committee recommends that Mr. Smurthwaite be admitted to this Convention.

Further, that the certificates of Lay delegates from S. Andrew's, Big Rapids, and S. Matthew's, Grand Rapids, are here, but these Parishes do not appear on the list of the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP W. MOSHER,
WM. WESTOVER,
Committee on Credentials.

The list of lay delegates was called and the following answered to their names:

Wm. B. Williams. E. T. Montgomery.
Justin A. Wait. Thomas Smurthwaite.

The Committee on admission of Parishes and Missions into union with the Convention made their report:

REPORT.

To the Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on admission of Parishes and Missions into union with the Convention, beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the applications of the fol-

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lowing Missions and find them in due form and would recommend their admission, viz.:

Mission of the Nativity, Mancelona.
Mission of Christ Church, Luther.
Mission of S. Paul, St. Joseph.
Trinity Mission, Three Rivers.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. E. WELLS,
GEO. D. SANFORD,
Committee.

The Mission of the Nativity, Mancelona, was admitted into union with the Convention.

The Mission of Christ Church, Luther, was admitted into union with the Convention.

The Mission of S. Paul, St. Joseph, was admitted into union with the Convention.

The Mission of Trinity Church, Three Rivers, was admitted into union with the Convention.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Credentials further report that they have received the certificate of the lay delegate from the Mission of Christ Church, Luther, and found it correct.

Report accepted and the name of lay delegate was called and the following answered to his name: Mr. Fred. Barghorne.

The Convention took a recess till 1:30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON—1:30 p. m.

Litany was said by the Rev. Marcus H. Martin.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Chair announced the following Standing Committees:

On Admission of Parishes and Missions into Union with the Convention—The Rev. A. E. Wells, the Rev. H. H. Johnston, Mr. George D. Sanford.

On the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for the Aged and Infirm Clergy—Mr. J. Davidson Burns, Mr. Fred. Barghorne, Abram T. Metcalf.

On the Report of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan—The Rev. W. W. Taylor, the Rev. Sidney Beckwith, Mr. George Willard, Mr. H. F. Cornell, Mr. E. N. King.

On the Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions—The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, the Rev. M. H. Martin, Mr. Justin J. Wait, Mr. J. E. Nelson, Mr. Ira Van Vanlkenburg.

On Unfinished Business—The Rev. Thomas Hines, Mr. George Hall.

On Christian Education—The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, the Rev. Lewis Brown, the Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., Mr. Thomas Smurthwaite, Mr. William B. Williams.

On Canons—The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne, the Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, Mr. Jacob Kleinhans, Mr. F. A. Gorham.

On Church Literature—The Rev. Wm. Lucas, the Rev. Wm. Wright, the Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall, Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery, Mr. H. J. Minhinnick.

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On the State of the Church—The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., The Rev. W. P. Law, The Rev. L. C. Rogers, Mr. Wm. J. Stuart, Mr. Wm. J. Dibble.

The roll of Parishes and Missions was called and parochial reports were presented.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese made the following report, which was read by the Secretary, the Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The twenty-first Annual Convention held in S. John's Church, Grand Haven, June 4, 5 and 6, 1895, elected by ballot the following named persons to serve as Standing Committee for the Diocese of Western Michigan, for year ending June 2, 1896:

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., the Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne, the Rev. Joseph W. Bancroft, the Rev. Lewis Brown, Mr. J. Davidson Burns, Mr. C. R. Wilkes, Mr. F. A. Gorham.

On the day of election the committee met and organized by electing the Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., President, and the Rev. R. R. Claiborne, Secretary.

The Committee has held meetings as follows:

1895	1896
June 6—Grand Haven.	January 16—Grand Rapids.
October 29—Kalamazoo.	February 17—Kalamazoo.
November 19—Grand Rapids.	May 11—Grand Rapids.
	June 3—Kalamazoo.

The following have been the official acts of the Committee.

Appropriations from the fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, and relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased clergy.

Mr. Cyrus Mendenhall was recommended to the Bishop for the Sacred Order of Deacons, and Rev. Thomas Hall Henley; and Mr. Carl Reed Taylor for the Sacred Order of Priests.

The consent of the Committee has been given for the consecration of the persons below named to be Bishops in the Church of God: The Rev. Frank Rosebrook, Millspaugh, Kansas; the Rev. Gershom Mott Williams, Marquette; the Rev. Joseph Horsfal Johnson, Los Angeles; The Rev. Lewis William Burton, Lexington; The Rev. Henry Yates Satterlee, Washington, D. C.

The Standing Committee asks for the passage of the following usual resolution:

Resolved, That the Diocesan Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the traveling expenses of the members of the Standing Committee who attend its duly convened meetings for the year ending May 31, 1897.

ROBT. R. CLAIBORNE,
Secretary.

The Report of the Board of Missions was deferred till the Missionary meeting at night.

The Treasurer of the Convention presented his report.

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

W. J. DIBBLE, Treasurer,
In Account with Diocese of Western Michigan, *Dr.*

1895.					
June 3	To balance				$ 36 35
	" Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	Assessment		1895	100 83
	" Coldwater, S. Mark's	"		1894	73 73
	" Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	"		1895	27 22
	" Charlevoix, Christ	"		1895	3 84
	" Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	"		1895	45 14
	" East Jordan, Redeemer	"		1895	3 75
	" Allegan, Good Shepherd	"		1895	32 98
	" Grand Haven, S. John's	"		1895	44 65
	" Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	"		1895	317 60
	" " " Grace	"		1895	128 80
	" " " S. John's	"		1894	6 28
	" " " S. John's	"		1895	6 75
	" " " S. Beda's	"		1895	98
	" " " S. Matthew's	"		1895	4 30
	" Hastings, Emmanuel	"		1895	61 11
	" Holland, Grace	"		1895	11 80
	" Homer, Christ	"		1894	15 00
	" Ionia, St John	"		1895	89 91
	" Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	"		1895	218 55
	" Ludington, Grace	"		1895	1 71
	" Manistee, Holy Trinity	"		1895	53 08
	" Marshall, Trinity	"		1895	73 94
	" Muskegon, S. Paul's	"		1895	80 35
	" " S. Luke's	"		1895	3 36
	" Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	"		1895	21 87
	" Niles, Trinity	"		1893	86 35
	" " Trinity	"		1894	80 63
	" Newaygo, S. Mark's	"		1895	4 07
	" Pentwater, S. James'	"		1895	4 05
	" Paw Paw, S. Mark's	"		1893	39
	" " S. Mark's	"		1894	39
	" Saugatuck, All Saints'	"		1895	69
	" Sturgis, S. James'	"		1895	7 34
	" Three Rivers, Trinity	"		1892	95
	" " Trinity	"		1895	4 81
	" Traverse City, Grace	"		1895	18 00
	" Tustin, S. Johannes'	"		1893	12
	" " S. Johannes'	"		1894	20
	" Union City, Grace	"		1893	19
	" " Grace	"		1894	2 54
	" Whitehall, Redeemer	"		1893	4 83
	" Cassopolis, S. James'	"		1895	4 14
					$1,743 57

CONTRA.

By paid sexton S. John's, Grand Haven	voucher	1	$5 00
" " pages of the Convention	"	2	5 00
" " J. N. Rippey, Secretary	"	3 4 & 5	100 00
" " " expenses	"	6 7 8 & 9	32 39
" " Stanton Printing Co.	"	10	220 18
" " Rev. L. Brown	"	11 12 & 13	8 70
" " Rev. R. R. Claiborne	"	14 & 15	3 35
" " Rev. J. W. Bancroft	"	16	4 50
" " Z. H. Dennison	"	17	1 00

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By paid Dennis & Slingerland	voucher 18	75	
" " Special assessments Gen'l Convention	" 19	12 50	
" " assessments 1895, " "	" 20	102 00	
" " F. A. Gorham, Treas. of Association of Diocese, vouchers 21 22 23 24 25 26 and 27		1,100 00	
June 1. By balance cash on hand		148 20	
			$1,743 57

Parishes and Missions that have paid Assessments in full.

June 1, 1896.

Allegan—Good Shepherd.
Battle Creek—S. Thomas'.
Benton Harbor—Holy Trinity.
Elk Rapids—S. Paul's.
East Jordan—Redeemer.
Grand Haven—S. John's.
Grand Rapids—S. Mark's.
" " —Grace.
" " —S. Beda's.
Hastings—Emmanuel.
Ionia—S. John's.
Kalamazoo—S. Luke's.
Ludington—Grace.
Manistee—Holy Trinity.
Marshall—Trinity.
Muskegon—S. Paul's.
" S. Luke's.
Mt. Pleasant—S. John's.
Pentwater—S. James'.
Rockford—S. James'.
Saugatuck—All Saints.
Sturgis—S. James'.
Three Rivers—Trinity.
Tustin—S. Johannes'.

The following Parishes and Missions are Delinquent on Assessments due the Diocese.

	Prior to 1892	1892-3	1893-4	1894-5	1895-6	Total
Albion, S. James'					$26 50	26 50
Big Rapids, S. Andrew's					70 39	70 39
Coldwater, S. Mark's					66 14	66 14
Cassopolis, S. James'					1 38	1 38
Charlotte, Grace				21 57..	34 35	55 92
Charlevoix, Christ					1 28	1 28
Grand Rapids, Trinity	48 74..	82 98..		57 57..	57 50	246 79
" " S. Paul's	167 10..			54 80..	30 90	252 80
" " S. John's		8 27...	4 32..		2 25	14 84
" " S. Matthew's					4 29	4 29
Greenville, S. Paul's					20 11	20 11
Holland, Grace	40 44..	7 34...	11 39..	13 65..		72 82
Homer, Christ				3 13..	19 07	22 20
Niles, Trinity				3 57..	72 22	75 79
Newaygo, S. Mark's					4 07	4 07
Petoskey, Emmanuel	34 80...	45 00..		22 04..	22 04	123 88
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	79 87..				50	80 37
Quincy, S. John's		7 97...	7 67..	6 56..	6 56	28 76
Traverse City, Grace	160 03..		16 22..	19 12..	4 12	199 49
Union City	46 74..				2 54	49 28
Whitehall, Redeemer					2 76	2 76
Central Lake, S. Matthias'					3 15	3 15
Totals	$542 92	141 36	84 60	202 01	452 12	1423 01

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

W. J. DIBBLE, Treasurer,

In Account with Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy and Widows and Orphans of Clergymen.

1895.				
June 1	To balance			$627 18
	" Easter Offering, Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	$ 3 00		
	" Christmas Offerings, Allegan, Good Shepherd	12 70		
	" " " Battle Creek, S. Thomas	9 46		
	" " " Big Rapids, S. Andrew's	5 73		
	" " " Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	2 32		
	" " " Coldwater, S. Mark's	4 29		
	" " " East Jordan, Redeemer	1 00		
	" " " Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	3 75		
	" " " Grand Haven, S. John's	5 25		
	" " " Grand Rapids, Grace	5 60		
	" " " " " S. Paul's	3 60		
	" " " " " S. Mark's	65 00		
	" " " Greenville, S. Paul's	2 62		
	" " " Hastings, Emmanuel	6 47		
	" " " Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	44 04		
	" " " Ludington, Grace	1 58		
	" " " Marshall, Trinity	24 13		
	" " " " Trinity, S. S.	1 27		
	" " " Muskegon, S. Paul's	5 60		
	" " " Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	2 88		
	" " " Manistee, Holy Trinity	13 44		
	" " " Pentwater, S. James'	1 65		
	" " " Quincy, S. John's	1 00		
	" " " Saugatuck, All Saints'	5 00		
	" " " Sturgis, S. James'	1 55		
	" " " Traverse City, Grace	3 30		
				236 23
	" Mrs. E. H. Clark, St. Joseph, Mo.	1 00		
	" E. H. & C. A. Van Dusen	50 00		
				51 00
	" F. A. Gorham, Treasurer, interest on Mortgages			251 37
				$1,165 78

CONTRA.

By stipends paid as per vouchers 1 to 18	$450 00	
" paid F. A. Gorham, Treasurer, for permanent investment, voucher 19	500 00	
" Z. H. Denison, voucher 20	2 00	
June 1, '96 " Balance cash on hand	213 78	
		$1,165 78

PARISHES AND MISSIONS NOT CONTRIBUTING TO THIS FUND.

Albion—S. James'
Cassopolis—S. James'
Charlotte—Grace
Charlevoix—Christ
Grand Rapids—Trinity
" " —S. John's
" " —S. Matthew's
" " —S. Beda's
Holland—Grace
Homer—Christ
Whitehall—Redeemer
Ionia—S. John's
Muskegon—S. Luke's
Niles—Trinity
Newaygo—S. Mark's
Petoskey—Emmanuel
Paw Paw—S. Mark's
Rockford—S. James'
Three Rivers—Trinity
Tustin—S. Johannes'
Union City—Grace
Central Lake—S. Matthias'

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The report was accepted and referred to the Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and other funds.

The Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan presented the following report:

KALAMAZOO, Mich., June 3rd, 1896.

To the Convention:

The Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan respectfully presents the report of its Treasurer as showing the financial transactions of the past year, and the present condition of the several funds in its charge.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., June 2d, 1896.

To the Trustees of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

GENTLEMEN:

The following report of the transactions for the past year in the several funds in my hands, is respectfully submitted in compliance with the By-Laws of the Association:

EPISCOPAL FUND.

1895.			
June 4.	Amount as per report	$35426 75	
Aug. 23.	Received in payment of old subscription note heretofore cancelled	45 00	
			$35471 75
Invested as follows:			
Episcopal residence		$11000 00	
Real estate		218 13	
Loans secured by mortgages		23908 82	
Cash		344 80	
			$35471 75

The Cash Receipts and Disbursements were as follows:

RECEIPTS.

1895.			
June 4.	Balance from last report	$719 23	
Aug. 23.	Received in payment of note	45 00	
Sept. 27.	Received in payment of Curtiss mortgage.	1000 00	
	" " " Baker "	200 00	
Oct. 15.	" " " Hannon "	200 00	
Nov. 23.	" " " Gooch "	350 00	
1896.			
April 16.	" on account of Rogers "	10 00	
30.	" in payment of Williams "	55 68	
			$2579 91

DISBURSEMENTS.

1895.			
Nov, 19.	Paid for purchase of F. H. Gill mortgage..	$1200 00	
1896.			
April 18.	Paid for street improvement tax on property covered by Stormzand mortgage...	69 96	
	Paid for sewer tax on same property.....	67 32	
Apr 30.	Paid for loan to James Durkee, one-half...	850 00	
May 25.	Paid costs and attorney fees in foreclosure of Stormzand mortgage, voucher A.....	47 83	
June 2.	Balance cash on hand.....	344 80	
			$2579 91

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The income account was as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last report	$ 15 98	
From interest on loans	1392 78	
From interest on notes	2 90	
From rents	500 00	
From W. J. Dibble, Treasurer, for assessments	1100 00	
		$3011 66

DISBURSEMENTS.

1895.			
June 13.	Paid E. H. Green for abstract of title, property at Ironton, Mich., Voucher No. 1	$ 2 50	
July 6.	Paid for stamped envelopes, Voucher No. 2.	5 25	
July 5.	Paid premium on insurance, dwelling No. 128 Quimby st., covered by Hayes mortgage, Voucher No. 3	5 25	
July 13.	Paid D. & F. E. Skeels for surveying Episcopal residence lot, Voucher No. 4	5 00	
July 15.	Paid A. M. Maris for repairs to Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 5	4 50	
July 19.	Paid Grand Rapids Sidewalk Co., for sidewalks, Voucher No. 6	32 51	
Aug. 10.	Paid Wm. Robertson for plumbing at Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 7	9 05	
Oct. 19.	Paid for taxes 1891-2-3 and 4, on property in Big Rapids, covered by Rogers mortgage and sold to J. H. Wampel	59 67	
Dec. 5.	Paid Seymour & Muir Printing Co. for letter heads, Voucher No. 8	1 25	
Oct. 31.	Paid George D. Gillespie, sundry repairs to Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 9	18 64	
Nov 8.	Paid G. Nyburg & Bro. for sodding yard Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 10	7 00	
Dec. 30.	Paid Guarantee Co. of North America, proportion of premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 11	16 83	
1896.			
Jan. 2.	Paid H. Green, repairs to Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 12	10 00	
Feb. 7.	Paid Harvey & Heystek, repairs to Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 13	11 35	
May 13.	Paid Seymour & Muir Printing Co. for interest notices, Voucher No. 14	1 25	
May 28.	Paid Geo. D. Gillespie for salary, viz, balance due on last year's account..$100 00 On account of current year Vouchers 15 to 22.....$2700 00	2800 00	
June 2.	Cash on hand	21 61	
			$3011 66

The incomes for 1896-7 is estimated at...		$1800 00
The requirements will be—		
Bishop's salary, now due	$300 00	
" " one year	3000 00	3300 00
Balance to be raised by assessment		$1500 00

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PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

The amount is same as last report.....			$7051 84
And is invested in—			
Loans secured by mortgages	$6575 00		
Cash on hand.....	476 84		
			$7051 84

The Receipts and Disbursements have been:

RECEIPTS.

1895.			
June 4.	Balance from last report.....	$ 826 84	
July 6.	Received in payment of Gleason note.....	100 00	
1896.			
April 23.	Received on account of Van Hezel mortgage.....	400 00	
June 2.	Received from interest on loans.....	310 56	
			$1637 40

DISBURSEMENTS.

1895.			
Dec. 30.	Remitted to D. G. Robinson, Treasurer of Board of Missions, Voucher No. 23.....	$116 43	
	Paid Guarantee Co. of North America, proportion of premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 11.....	4 82	
1896.			
Mar. 4.	Remitted to D. G. Robinson, Treasurer of Board of Missions, Voucher No. 24.....	156 63	
April 1.	Remitted to D. G. Robinson, Treasurer of Board of Missions, Voucher No. 25.....	37 50	
30.	Paid for loan to James Durkee, one-half...	850 00	
June 2.	Cash on hand, principal..... 476 84		
	Less income over-remitted.... 4 82		
		472 02	
			$1637 40

AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

1895.			
June 4.	Amount as per last report.....	$4378 54	
22.	Received from W. J. Dibble, Treasurer for investment	500 00	
			$4878 54
Invested as follows:			
Loans secured by mortgages.....		$4811 00	
Cash on hand.....		67 54	
			$4878 54

The following letter refers to an addition which will be made to this fund in the future, viz.:

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., May 6, 1896.

Mr. F. A. GORHAM,
Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

MY DEAR SIR:

I have been furnished with copy of the will of the late Mrs. Permelia Pritchard, of Ludington.

Clause fourth reads:

"I hereby direct that after my death as soon as it can be done without loss, the house and lot where I now reside on Harrison street, of Ludington, Mich., be sold by my said executor and out of the proceeds of such sale, my said executor pay the sum of five hundred dollars, if so much be derived from such sale, to the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, to

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be held by them in trust. The interest thereon to be used for the benefit of the Infirm and Aged Clergy of such Diocese. The principal to be known and held perpetually by such Association and their successors as the Pritchard Memorial Fund, according to the laws governing such Diocese."

I send you copy for record on the books of the Association, and to be reported to the Convention.

Yours very truly,

GEO. D. GILLESPIE,
Bishop of Western Michigan.

RECEIPTS.

1895.				
June 4.	Cash on hand		$82 54	
22.	Received from W. J. Dibble Treasurer, for investment		500 00	
Nov. 19.	Received in payment of Brooks' mortgage.		285 00	
1896.				
June 2.	Received from interest on loans		244 12	
				$1111 66

DISBURSEMENTS.

1895.				
Nov. 19.	Remitted to W. J. Dibble, Treasurer, Voucher No. 26		$100 00	
Dec. 30.	Paid Guarantee Co. of North America for proportion of premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 11		3 35	
1896.				
Jan. 13.	Remitted to W. J. Dibble, Treasurer, Voucher No. 27		70 00	
April 1.	Remitted to W. J. Dibble, Treasurer, Voucher No. 28		81 37	
May. 1.	Paid for loan to J. Clark Sproat		800 00	
June 2.	Cash on hand, principal	$67 54		
	Less income over-remitted	10 60	56 94	
				$1111 66

SUNDRY TRUST FUNDS.

Rectory Building Fund—			
Balance per last report		$1400 00	
Received, interest on loans		78 70	
		$1478 70	
Remitted to D. G. Robinson, Treasurer, Vouchers 34 and 35		78 70	
			$1400 00
Sturgis Fund—			
Balance per last report		59 62	
Received for interest		2 01	
			$61 63
Lyons Fund—			
Balance per last report		$274 49	
Received for interest		9 71	
			$284 20
Decatur Fund—			
Balance per last report		132 01	
Received for interest		4 49	
			136 50

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Diocesan Library Building Fund—		
Balance per last report	$40 02	
Received, Offertory at Convention, 1895	6 10	
Received for interest	1 72	
	$47 84	
Paid bill of Geo. D. Gillespie for sundry repairs, Voucher No. 29	11 26	
		$36 58
S. Matthew's, Baldwin Fund—		
Balance per last report	99 62	
Received, for rent	5 00	
Received, for interest	16	
		$104 78
S. Matthias, Eaton Rapids Fund—		
Balance per last report	$630 94	
Received, for interest	59	
		631 53
Grace, Stanton Fund—		
Balance per last report	44 93	
Received for interest	18	
		$45 11
Bush Memorial Fund—		
Balance per last report	$21 33	
Received for interest	84	
		$22 17
S. Paul's, Elk Rapids Endowment Fund—		
Balance per last report	$3 50	
Received for interest	08	
Received from Rev. J. N. Rippey	3 50	
		7 08
Total		$2729 58
Insurance and Tax Fund—		
1895.		
June 3. Paid for $500 insurance at Rockford, Voucher No. 30	$12 50	
Aug. 7. Paid for recording deeds of Mendon property, Voucher No. 31	1 50	
Paid for recording deeds of S. John's Mission property	75	
Sept. 20. Paid for $2000 insurance at Harbor Springs, Voucher No. 32	35 00	
Oct. 26. Paid for $650 insurance at Mendon, Voucher No. 33	13 00	
	$62 75	
CREDITS.		
Oct. 31. Received from D. G. Robinson, Treasurer, to refund premium paid for insurance at Mendon	$13 00	
Fund overdrawn		$49 75
Total Sundry Trust Funds—		$2679 83
These funds are invested as follows:		
Loan to N. R. Peterson for account of Sturgis, Lyons and Decatur Funds	$175 00	

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Loan to Akeley Institute on account of Sturgis Fund	$35 00		
Lyons Fund	155 00		
Decatur Fund	75 00		
Eaton Rapids Fund	600 00		
Baldwin Fund	95 00		
Stanton Fund	40 00		
		$1000 00	
Loans on account of Rectory Building Fund:			
To S. James' Mission, Pentwater	$200 00		
To S. John's " Mt. Pleasant	200 00		
To Akeley Institute	500 00		
To Redeemer Mission, East Jordan	130 00		
To S. Paul's Mission, Mendon	275 00		
		$1305 00	
		$2480 00	
Cash on hand:			
For account of Rectory Building Fund	$95 00		
" " " Sturgis Fund	4 75		
" " " Lyons Fund	24 20		
" " " Decatur Fund	13 38		
" " " Diocesan Library Building F'd.	36 58		
" " " Baldwin Fund	9 78		
" " " Stanton Fund	5 11		
" " " Bush Memorial Fund	22 17		
" " " Elk Rapids Fund	7 08		
" " " Eaton Rapids Fund	31 53		
	249 58		
Less insurance and Tax Fund overdrawn	49 75		
		$199 83	$2679 83

DETAILED LIST OF SECURITIES HELD BY THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

FOR EPISCOPAL FUND.

Chas. L. Moran	mortgage	6 per	cent	$5212 55
Fred. D. Yale	"	7 "	"	3200 00
Henry Stormzand	"	7 "	"	2685 11
Isadore N. White	"	7 "	"	1800 00
John M. Richens	"	7 "	"	1800 00
Ellen E. Camburn	"	7 "	"	1500 00
F. H. Gill	"	7 "	"	1200 00
John Schoffin	"	7 "	"	1000 00
James Durkee	"	7 "	"	850 00
Herbert Baker	"	7 "	"	750 00
James A. Rooney	"	7 "	"	600 00
Catherine M. Gillman	"	7 "	"	600 00
George G. Van Houtum	"	7 "	"	600 00
G. F. Cole	"	7 "	"	600 00
James P. Hayes	"	8 "	"	511 16
Jos. J. Adams	contract	7 "	"	328 00
H. L. Birdsall	mortgage	8 "	"	300 00
S. Rogers	"	8 "	"	290 00
Asa N. Beal	"	8 "	"	250 00
L. K. Austin	"	10 "	"	160 00
Total mortgages				$24236 82

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Geo. Kendall, deed Episcopal residence: value including building ($5000 insurance expiring June 9th, 1896)				11000 00
Total Episcopal Fund				$35236 82

FOR PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

Johanna Comans	mortgage	7 per cent		$1400 00
John H. Bruist	"	7 "	"	1500 00
James Durkee	"	7 "	"	850 00
Russell Slade	"	7 "	"	800 00
Angeline Goossen	"	7 "	"	400 00
William Booth	"	7 "	"	400 00
Chas. P. Duston	"	7 "	"	300 00
H. W. Van Hezel	"	7 "	"	275 00
Calista Myers	"	7 "	"	250 00
A. Leaderson	"	7 "	"	200 00
Rufus Hall	"	7 "	"	200 00
Total Permanent Missionary Fund				$ 6575 00

FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

J. Clark Sproat	mortgage	7 per cent		$1200 00
Calvin E. Stone	"	7 "	"	1000 00
Russell Slade	"	7 "	"	800 00
J. Clark Sproat	"	7 "	"	800 00
Julius S. Ward	"	7 "	"	576 00
William Vine	"	7 "	"	225 00
Permelia Pollock	"	7 "	"	210 00
Total Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund				$4811 00

FOR RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

S. B. Minshall, Trustee, Pentwater,	mortgage	7 per cent		$200 00
Minnie K. Brown, Mt. Pleasant	"	7 "	"	200 00
Akeley Institute	note	7 "	"	500 00
D. C. Loveday, et al. East Jordan	notes	8 "	"	130 00
S. Paul's Church, Mendon	deed			275 00
Total Rectory Building Fund				$1305 00

FOR SUNDRY SPECIAL FUNDS.

N. R. Peterson	mortgage	9 per cent		$175 00
Akeley Institute	note	4 "	"	1000 00
Total Special Funds				$1175 00

PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST.

Various Deeds the values being those shown in Parochial Reports, Journal of 1895:

Baldwin	Deed from W. L. Webber	$400 00
Benton Harbor	" " Wm. Stewart, et al. Trustees, $1500 insurance expiring March 1st, 1898	3500 00
Charlevoix	Deed from James A. Gellick	1000 00
Coopersville	" " Samuel C. Graham	not rept'd
East Jordan	" " John Nichols, $500 insurance expiring June 29th, 1898	1589 41
Eaton Rapids	Deeds from various persons, $1200 insurance expiring April 23rd, 1898. This property has been sold for $900 of which $602 has been paid	900 00
Elk Rapids	Deeds from Richard W. Bagot and Dexter & Noble, $3500 insurance, expiring June 6th, 1898	6000 00

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Evart	Deed from W. F. McDermot, et al	
Grand Rapids, S. John's,	Deed from Richard Bynon et al	3500 00
Greenville	Deed from M. Rutan, et al	1200 00
Harbor Springs	Deed from A. J. Southard, et al., insurance $2000, expiring September 15th, 1895	2000 00
Luther	Deed from Catherine W. Sprague	500 00
Mt. Pleasant	Deed from Minnie K. Brown, insurance $1500 expiring February 16th, 1898	3000 00
Paw Paw	Deed from Maria N. Gremps, insurance $1200, expiring November 1st, 1897	1000 00
Pentwater	Deed from John W. Loomis, insurance $1000 expiring April 26th, 1896	2000 00
Quincy	Deed from Sam'l C. Mowry	not reported.
Rockford	Deed from N. McMillan, insurance $500, expiring November 21st, 1897 and $500 July 2d, 1898	not reported.
Schoolcraft	Deed from Caroline L. Stuart, insurance $1000, expiring January 17th, 1899	2000 00
Three Rivers	Deed from Henry C. Taylor, et al., insurance $2000, expiring March 16th, 1897	1000 00
Whitehall	Deed from Vestrymen, Church of Redeemer	1200 00
	Total property in trust	$30789 40

F. A. GORHAM,
Treasurer.

KALAMAZOO, June 2d, 1896.

The undersigned, lay members of the Standing Committee, acting as a Board of Auditors, by appointment of the Convention of 1896 (Page 39, Journal 1876), do hereby certify that they have examined the securities in the hands of the Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, as set forth in the foregoing lists, and find them correct as stated therein.

J. DAVIDSON BURNS.

Your Committee to whom was referred the report of the Asssociation of the Diocese of Western Michigan, beg leave to report that they have examined the report with the Vouchers accompanying the same, and find it correct.

W. W. TAYLOR,
GEORGE MILLARD.
H. F. CORNELL,
E. N. KING.

The report was referred to the Committee on the Report of the Association of the Diocese.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

To the Twenty-Second Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report, that the following matters were left unfinished by the last Convention:

Item 1.—The Committee on Confederation of the Dioceses in Michigan, appointed by the twentieth annual Convention, 1894, namely, Rev. M. H. Martin, Rev. L. C Rodgers and Mr. W. B. Williams, was continued by the last Convention and should make further report.

Item 2.—"The proposed Constitution of the Diocese of Western Michigan," with certain amendments recommended by the Committee on Can-

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ons which appears on pages 58 to 61 of the Journal of the Convention was duly adopted and referred to this Convention for final action, under the present Constitution.

Item 3.—On page 84 of the Journal appears the following statement. "The Canons presented by the Committee were postponed till the next annual Convention." This Committee should report upon these Canons at this Convention.

Item 4.—The Committee on "The State of the Church" was continued and should make further report.

Item 5.—The Committee on "The Observance of Special Days" was likewise continued and should report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS HINES,
GEORGE W. HALL,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The report was taken up by items.

ITEM I.

The Rev. M. H. Martin presented the following report:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE FEDERATION OF THE DIOCESES OF MICHIGAN.

The Committee on the Federation of the Dioceses of Michigan would respectfully report:

That no action has yet been taken.

That a meeting with the Committee of the Diocese of Michigan, appointed to consider the subject, was to have been held in Detroit, on May 1st, the date of the consecration of the Bishop of Marquette; said place and time being thought most convenient for the Conference.

The joint Conference, however, was not held owing to the illness of the Chairman of the Diocese-of-Michigan Committee.

That inasmuch as a Committee has since been named by the Diocese of Marquette, to confer with the Committees of the other Dioceses of Michigan as to desired legislation and other matters of mutual interest, further action is delayed till a joint meeting of the three Committees can be held.

Your Committee would therefore ask for instructions from this Convention as to any desired legislation, and as regards the suggestions of our Bishop concerning the proposed Federation; also, to be continued with power to act accordingly.

MARCUS H. MARTIN,
L. C. ROGERS,
W. B. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

Report was accepted.

The following resolution was offered by the Rev. W. P. Law:

Resolved, That the Committee be continued with power to act in the matter of Federation according to their judgment, after consulting with the Bishop.

Carried.

The Rev. A. E. Wells offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the incorporation of Parishes and the time of holding annual elections in the Parishes, be referred to the Committee on Federation to report at this Convention.

Adopted.

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Mr. Jacob Kleinhans offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that the General Act for the incorporation of Protestant Episcopal Churches should be amended, so as to allow the Articles of Agreement to be amended by the Churches in in any manner which is not inconsistent with said act.

Adopted.

The above resolution was referred to the Committee on Federation.

ITEM II.

The proposed Constitution of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

Mr. W. J. Stuart offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the new Constitution as passed at the last Convention and found on page 58 of the Journal of the last Convention, be now taken up and passed by a vote taken by orders.

Pending the discussion of the subject the hour of 4 o'clock arrived and the order of the day was taken up and the Convention proceeded with the election of officers of the Diocese.

Mr. R. H. Buckhout was admitted to a seat in the Convention as an alternate from S. Luke's Parish, Kalamazoo, in place of Mr. A. J. Mills.

The Rev. J. B. Hubbs moved that the Secretary cast the ballot for the only nominee for Treasurer.

The Secretary cast the ballot for Ethan T. Montgomery as Treasurer.

On motion, the Secretary cast the ballot of the Convention for the Rev. A. E. Wells for Registrar of the Diocese.

The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall and Mr. J. E. Nelson were appointed tellers for the election of Standing Committee.

The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the vote.

The discussion of the resolution offered by Mr. Stuart was continued.

On motion of the Rev. J. B. Hubbs, the time of the speakers was limited to five minutes.

Pending discussion the tellers returned and reported.

REPORT ON ELECTION OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

No. of ballots cast..46. Necessary to a choice..24.

ELECTED.

The Rev. Campbell Fair	received	38	votes.
The Rev. J W. Bancroft	"	31	"
The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne	"	25	"
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs	"	24	"
Mr. J. Davidson Burns	"	30	"
Mr. F. A. Gorham	"	30	"
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart	"	26	"

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The following received the votes attached to each name:

The Rev. Lewis Brown, 19; the Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, 15; the Rev. Wm .H. Van Antwerp, 16; the Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, 9; Mr. Wm. Dibble, 16: Mr. C. R. Wilkes, 11; Mr. Jacob Kleinhans, 9; Mr. George Willard, 9; Mr. Wm. R. Shelby, 3.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRUS MENDENHALL,
J. E. NELSON,
Tellers.

The Rev. C. R. Taylor and Mr. Wm. J. Dibble, were appointed tellers for the election of the Board of Missions.

The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the vote.

The discussion on the resolution of Mr. W. J. Stuart was continued.

The vote on the resolution of Mr. Wm. J. Stuart was taken by orders with the following result:

Clerical—Yea—The Rev. Messrs. J. W. Bancroft, Lewis Brown, Robt. R. Claiborne, J. Brewster Hubbs, Wm. Lucas, Marcus H. Martin, A. E. Wells, M. S. Woodruff, Wm. E. Wright—9.

Clerical—Nay—The Rev. Messrs. E. M. Duff, Campbell Fair, D. D., R. H. F. Gairdner, Thos. Hines, W. P. Law, Philip W. Mosher, J. N. Rippey, L. C. Rogers, Herbert Sowerby, W. W. Taylor, Wm. H. Thomas, Ph. D., Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Wm. Westover, James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., H. D. Chambers, Carl R. Taylor—16.

Lay—Yea—Messrs. Wm. B. Williams, George Willard, Wm. J. Stuart, F. A. Gorham, Jacob Kleinhans, J. Davidson Burns, H. F. Cornell, Wm. J. Dibble—8.

Lay—Nay—Messrs. Abram T. Metcalf, J. E. Nelson, Geo. D. Sanford, Wm. R. Shelby, D. G. Robinson, Ira Van Valkenburg, Ethan T. Montgomery, Cyrus Mendenhall, R. H. Buckhout, Fred. Barghorne, George W. Hall, E. N. King, Thos. Smurthwaite, Louis S. Joy, H. J. Minhinnick, J. J. Wait —16.

The resolution was not adopted and carried with it the rejection of the proposed Constitution.

Mr. Wm. B. Williams offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Constitution just rejected by the Convention be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons, with instructions to amend the same so as to be in harmony with the expressed views of this Convention as to representation in Convention, and future amendments, and also to give Chaplains of the Protestant Episcopal Church in State institutions a seat in the Convention and report to this Convention at 10 a. m. to-morrow.

The tellers for the Board of Missions returned and reported:

REPORT OF TELLERS.

No. of ballots cast..47. Necessary to a choice..24.

ELECTED.

The Rev. Philip W. Mosher,	received	48	votes.
The Rev. Sidney Beckwith	"	36	"
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	"	33	"
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas	"	29	"
The Rev. Wm. Lucas	"	24	"

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Mr. D. G. Robinson.....received 44 votes
Mr. Wm. J. Dibble..... " 42 "
Mr. J. E. Nelson..... " 37 "
Mr. Wm J. Stuart..... " 27 "

Yet to be elected, one layman.

The following received the vote attached to their names.

Messrs. George D. Sanford. 23; Ethan T. Montgomery, 15: H. F. Cornell, 10: David Fisher, 10; E. F. Sweet, 10; M. C. Burch, 8.

CARL REED TAYLOR,
WM. J. DIBBLE,
Tellers.

On motion the Secretary cast the ballot for Mr. George D. Sanford, as the remaining member of the Board of Missions.

The Chair appointed the Rev. H. D. Chambers and Mr. Geo. D. Sanford, as tellers for the vote for Missionary Council.

The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the vote.

The resolution of Mr. Wm. B. Williams came up for discussion.

The Rev. M. H. Martin moved to amend by adding, "Chaplains of the Protestant Episcopal Church."

Adopted.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

The tellers for the Missionary Council reported.

TELLERS' REPORT.

No. of votes cast..40. Necessary to a choice..21.

ELECTED.

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby.....received 21 votes.
Mr. D. G. Robinson..... " 22 "

The following received the number of votes attached to their names:

The Rev. Lewis Brown, 19; Mr. J. E. Nelson, 16; Mr. George Willard, 1.

H. D. CHAMBERS,
GEO. D. SANFORD,
Tellers.

The same tellers were appointed for the Court of Appeals.

The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the vote.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons, be instructed that it is the sense of this Convention that the proposed Constitution submitted to them, should retain the words Parishes and Missions as contained in the present Constitution.

The tellers for the Court of Appeals reported.

TELLERS' REPORT.

No. of ballots cast..38. Necessary to a choice..20.

ELECTED.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft .....received 22 votes.
Mr. N. P. Loveridge..... " 20 "

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The following received the number of votes attached to their names:

The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, 16; Mr. Wm. J. Stuart, 11; Mr. Thos. Smurthwaite, 3; Mr. George Willard, 3.

H. D. CHAMBERS,
GEORGE D. SANFORD,
Tellers.

Recess was taken until half-past 7 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY—7:30 P. M.

Missionary service was said by the Rev. Herbert Sowerby.

The Secretary of the Board of Missions, the Rev. J. B. Hubbs, read the report of work of the Board for the past year.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Board of Missions elected at the Twenty-first Convention of the Diocese, met in St. John's Church, Grand Haven, 6th of June, 1895, and organized by electing Mr. D. G. Robinson, Treasurer, and the Rev. J. B. Hubbs, Secretary.

Four meetings have been held during the year to transact the regular business of the Board.

The following Missionaries have been at work in the Diocese during the year:

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
The Rev. W. P. Law, General Missionary.
The Rev. J. N. Rippey, Central Lake and East Jordan.
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Benton Harbor and St. Joseph.
The Rev. E. W. Jewell, Petoskey and Charlevoix.
The Rev. W. Westover, Mt. Pleasant.
The Rev. C. R. Taylor, Sturgis and Mendon.
The Rev. A. E. Wells, Traverse City.
The Rev. A. W. Mann, to the Deaf Mutes.

The Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, Rector of Grace Church, Holland, and the Rev. H. D. Chambers, Deacon in charge of Grace Church, Ludington, have received appropriations.

The Rev. E. W. Jewell resigned January 1st, and Petoskey and Charlevoix have since been vacant. The Rev. J. N. Rippey has resigned to take effect June 15th, and the Missions at Central Lake and East Jordan will then be vacant. The important Missions at Charlotte and Greenville have been vacant during the year, mainly owing to the inability of these Missions to supplement sufficiently the stipend offered by the Board to make a living salary for a Missionary.

At the second meeting of the Board, the resignation of the Rev. J. W. Bancroft as editor of the Church Helper, was offered and accepted, with an expression by the Board, of its sense of deepest gratitude for his many years of patient service.

It is very evident that the Board of Missions next year will not have the assistance of as large a stipend from the Managers of the General Board of Missions, as for the few years last past; hence, if the work is to continue on the present scale, there is absolute necessity for increased contributions on the part of the Diocese. The report of the Advisory Committee to the General Board contains these ominous words:

"We are painfully sensible of the disappointment which must go through the Church at the necessity for reducing the appropriations for missions, and of the hardship which such reduction must cause everywhere—the arresting of promising undertakings, the personal deprivations to missionaries, and, in some instances, the withdrawal of those who have given themselves in obedience to the Master's call. Nevertheless, there is left to us

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no choice. This Board as a faithful steward, with a due sense of its responsibility to the Church, cannot go on and accumulate debt. Having done all that it can do to impress the need upon the mind of the Church, and to stimulate contributions for the support of the work, it believes its responsibility in that direction has been fully discharged, and that there is nothing left to the Board but to face the facts and deal with them prudently. It is easy to say that the requisite money ought to come, that a fair distribution of the expense of supporting our missions would not place a heavy burden upon any one, that the cause of failure lies here or there. Those are matters which may be considered at other times, but here we have to decide the question of conducting the missions for another year in view of a large deficiency, and we are, therefore, reluctantly compelled to recommend to the Board a re-adjustment upon a scale which will involve a material reduction of the salaries and stipends of all who are in the missionary work of the Church."

JOHN BREWSTER HUBBS,
Secretary.

The report was accepted and referred to the appropriate Committee.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law presented his report as General Missionary of the Grand Rapids Convocation.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MISSIONARY OF THE GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION.

To the Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., President, and members of the Board of Missions:

By the grace of God I have been enabled to perform the duties assigned me during the past year. There were no snow blockades to interfere and little interruption to work on account of illness.

For particulars of the work I refer you to the statistical report in the hands of the Bishop. By this you will see that fourteen places have been visited and 140 services held. That there have been forty celebrations of the Holy Communion, and that the Baptisms at nine stations number forty-three. Confirmations at five stations have been twenty-four, with burials, ten. I have traveled something over 7,000 miles in the prosecution of the work. Two Missions have been organized, the Church of the Nativity, Mancelona, and Christ Church, Luther. At the latter place the building has been moved a little nearer the people, and stone is being collected for a foundation.

Through the kindess of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Van Dusen, of Kalamazoo, a beginning has been made toward a fund for the building of a Chancel, and the expense of seating the Church. Contributions are solicited for this purpose from the faithful.

The Church people of Pentwater are making an effort to extinguish their floating and bonded indebtedness during the next twelve months. Some repairs have been made on the rectory property. It is my judgment that work could be more effectively done for the Church on the G. R. & I., and F. & P. M. Ry's if headquarters could be established at Reed City. Five hundred dollars, I think, would secure a piece of property on the main street which could be used both for a Chapel and Missionary residence.

We are, I believe, fighting too much at long range.

The trustee of the Church property at Tustin, offers $250 toward a resident minister for the coming year if one can be secured who will be acceptable to the Swedish people. He would not be obliged to hold services at Tustin every Sunday, nor need he, in the opinion of the trustee, be a native of Sweden. There are enough English speaking people at Tustin to organize another Mission should such a step become necessary.

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If possible, some re-arrangement of the Mission work should be made in order to save travelling expenses, and make the missionary more accessible to the people.

How to increase the working force in the field while the funds at the disposal of the Board are decreased, is a problem that I pray God may help us to solve.

Respectfully submitted,

WOODFORD P. LAW.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft reported the condition and work in the Kalamazoo Convocation.

REPORT OF THE REV. J. W. BANCROFT, GENERAL MISSIONARY IN THE CONVOCATION OF KALAMAZOO FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR OF 1895-'96.

To the Diocesan Board of Missions:

DEAR BISHOP AND BRETHREN:—Numerically stated, my work for the past year is as follows:

Number of services, 97; number of calls, 156; Celebrations of the Holy Communion, public, 32; private, 11; number of communions, 474; Baptisms, infants, 2, adults, 1; Confirmations, 18; marriages, 3; burials, 1; Offerings received and sent by me to destination: Bishop's Trust Fund, $24.30; local expenses, $4.18; Diocesan Missions, $45.85; General Missions, $6.86; Domestic, $6.50; for Jews, 1.02; N. Y. Bible and Com. Pr. Book Soc., $1.36; total, $90.07.

Contrasting some of these figures with the corresponding averages of the preceding ten years, I am struck by the small number of baptisms to report—only three for the whole year, two infants and one adult, while the average number in previous years has been about ten adults and twenty children per annum. However, it appears that the number confirmed, which is eighteen, is three more than the annual average of Confirmations heretofore.

The significance of this small number of additions to the Church membership, is to be taken, I suppose, as evidence of the low ebb of Church affairs in this field.

The stations to which I have given most attention during the year are Cassopolis, Paw Paw, Portland, Schoolcraft, Three Rivers and Union City, also, for the first quarter of the Conventional year, Sturgis, and Mendon. Infrequent services have been given at Albion, Charlotte, Grand Ledge and Homer.

The Church edifice in Union City is undergoing repair, and there are prospects of a renewal of Church activity. Three Rivers has had nearly constant lay services, has made several much-needed repairs, and at Easter organized a Sunday School. Schoolcraft has still in contemplation regular services, but was obliged to suspend the Sunday School for want of teachers. At Portland is considerable interest and some strength, but the expediency of organizing is an open question. Paw Paw seems to prefer infrequent services, yet it has the best Church building of any of the places above named, and about as large membership, and, were its Church-folks so minded might easily gather in additions to its numbers. Cassopolis has few resources, small numbers, and has discontinued its Sunday School, yet is not without some circumstances of hopefulness.

My conviction is, there can be no improvement in the condition of things in most of these places, until certain discordant elements are harmonized, mutual confidence and cordial co-operation exhibited, and, above all, until there can be realized perceptible increase of spirituality. In Church work as in common life, the *inner growth*—the heart life, that is, true life—is all but impossible while the dread, stern struggle for bare existence is waging by the few willing ones, without the support and even with the antagonism

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of others equally able and under the same personal obligations of service to the *One Master*.

It would seem worthy of consideration and experiment, to find out whether or no better results may be had by concentrating services for a week or more at a time, after the mode of so-called "Missions," than by occasional Sunday services, or even by somewhat frequent regular services.

The report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, Mr. D. G. Robinson, was presented by him.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,

In Account with Diocesan Mission Fund for Moneys Received from June 5th, 1895 up to June 4th, 1896.

1895.			
June 5	Balance on hand	$905	00
	From Rev. M. S. Woodruff	5	00
	" J. Davidson Burns	10	00
	" Miss Mary Penfield	5	00
	" Mrs. J. W. Bancroft	1	50
	" Rev. C. W. Leffingwell (Bishop Gillespie)	12	00
	" Bishop J. Mott Williams	20	00
	" Rev. W. P. Law	5	00
	" Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D	10	00
	" Rev. H. D. Chambers	5	00
	" Rev. Lewis Brown	5	00
	" J. H. Van Arman per Rev. W. W. Taylor	5	00
	" Domestic Board, Rev. J. W. Bancroft	200	00
	" F. A. Gorham, Treasurer, interest on permanent Missionary Fund	310	50
	" C. R. Wilkes	10	00
	" Miss Cora Wilkes	10	00
	" Allegan, Good Shepherd, $33.68, S. S. $10	43	68
	" S. Thomas, Battle Creek, $112 S. S. $25	137	00
	" S. Andrews', Big Rapids	6	39
	" S. Mark's, Coldwater, $60, S. S. $15	75	00
	" S. Paul's, Elk Rapids, $15, S. S. $5	20	00
	" S. John's, Grand Haven	40	00
	" S. Mark's, Grand Rapids	500	00
	" Grace, Grand Rapids	25	00
	" Emmanuel, Hastings, $35, S. S. $10	45	00
	" Christ, Homer	2	00
	" S. John's, Ionia	78	25
	" S. James', Pentwater	80	87
	" S. Luke's, Kalamazoo	300	00
	" Grace, Ludington	1	65
	" Trinity, Marshall	100	00
	" Trinity, Three Rivers	13	54
	" Grace, Traverse City	18	00
	" Grace, Union City	14	40
	" S. Mathias', Baldwin	5	93
	" Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor	10	00
	" Christ Mission, Charlevoix	25	41
	" S. James', Cassopolis	2	19
	" S. Mark's, Newaygo	112	50
	" S. Mark's, Paw Paw	11	69
	" S. John's, Sturgis	2	32
	" Redeemer, Whitehall	28	50
	" S. James', Luther	11	89

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From	S. Stephens', Schoolcraft	7 31	
"	Hart	75	
"	Reed City	2 77	
"	Akeley Institute	15 00	
"	Mancelona	38 38	
"	Kalkaska	1 28	
"	Portland	4 51	
"	St. Andrew's Brotherhood, Muskegon	10 00	
"	S. Paul's, Muskegon, $50, S. S. $10	60 00	
"	S. Luke's, Muskegon	25 00	
"	Redeemer, East Jordan	12 75	
"	Trinity, Niles	88 80	
"	S. Paul's, Grand Rapids	15 00	
"	S. John's, Mt. Pleasant	11 50	
"	William Lucas	5 00	
"	Draft returned by Rev. Dr. Van Antwerp	50 00	
	Total		$3578 38

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Moneys paid out up to June 4th, 1896:

1895.			
June 6.	Paid Rev. L. C. Rogers, printing bill and postage on circulars	$ 3 62	
Sept. 5.	Paid Rev. A. E. Wells expense account as per order	3 85	
13.	Paid John E. Nelson, expense account	3 40	
17.	Paid Rev. W. P. Law, balance of his ex. ac't	8 30	
Nov. 18.	Paid West Mich. Printing Co., bill of Nov. 11	2 50	
Dec. 20.	Paid premium to Guarantee Co	5 00	
1896.			
Feb. 12.	Paid rent of Hall at Reed City per Rev. Mr. Law	1 00	
Apr. 8.	Paid Rev. A. E. Wells, expense act. per order	1 70	
	" Rev. W. P. Law, expense act., two trips to Ludington, March 19, 1896	6 00	
	Paid Rev. W. W. Taylor for clerical services rend. Church Helper	50 00	
May	Paid Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D. stipend	16 67	
	" Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, "	50 00	
	" Rev. E. W. Jewell "	62 50	
	" " J. W. Bancroft "	800 00	
	" " W. P. Law, "	718 75	
	" " M. S. Woodruff, "	200 00	
	" " H. D. Chambers, "	200 00	
	" " A. E. Wells, "	150 00	
	" " Wm. Westover, "	150 00	
	" " C. Reed Taylor, "	100 00	
	Paid Henry Pardee, services rend. as lay reader at Sturgis	27 60	
	Paid Secretary, Rev. Mr. Hubbs' expenses	5 00	
	Paid Treasurer's expense account	11 70	
	Transferred to Deaf Mute Fund	90 00	
	Transferred to Church Building Fund	50 00	
June 2.	Paid to Geo. D. Sanford, Express bill	5 02	
3.	Paid Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., bal. of stipend.	41 67	
	Paid Treasurer, bal. due on B. & T. Fund	15 34	
June 4.	By balance on hand to new account	798 76	
	Total		$3578 38

1896.		
June 4.	Balance on hand	$798 76

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LIST OF UNPAID PLEDGES MADE FOR DIOCESAN MISSIONS, JUNE 4, 1896.

Trinity, Grand Rapids	$118	25
S. Mark's, Newaygo	39	71
Christ, Homer	25	94
S. James', Pentwater	51	48
Grace, Holland	2	31
S. John's, Ionia	20	75
Holy Trinity, Manistee	20	00
Grace, Traverse City	11	70
Grace, Charlotte	15	23
S. James', Cassopolis	3	67
Redeemer, East Jordan	2	25
S. John's, Mt. Pleasant	8	50
Emmanuel, Petoskey	15	00
S. James', Rockford	3	18
Redeemer, Whitehall	5	90
S. James', Albion	15	00
S. Thomas', Battle Creek	13	00
S. Mark's, Coldwater S. S	5	00
Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	5	00
Total		$381 87

The report was accepted and referred to the appropriate Committee.

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,

In Account with the Bishop's Trust Fund for Moneys Received from June 5, 1895, up to June 4, 1896.

1895.			
June 5.	Balance on hand	$242	50
	Income Rectory Building Fund error in crediting same to Church Building Fund, May 5, 1895	40	48
	Mrs. A. N. Noble, Secretary, Kalamazoo	14	50
	Ladies' Bible Class	10	00
	Mrs. E. H. Van Dusen	5	00
	F. A. Gorham, Treasurer, income Rectory Building Fund	63	17
	Returned from Ionia Convocation	8	65
	From Woman's Auxiliary, Grand Rapids, by Mrs. A. N. Noble	18	00
	From S. Paul's, Elk Rapids	13	00
	" Mancelona	3	35
	" S. Mark's, Grand Rapids	50	58
	" Akeley Institute	8	99
	" S. John's, Sturgis	10	43
	" S. James', Cassopolis	2	09
	" S. Andrews', Big Rapids	5	31
	" Grace, Ludington	2	65
	" S. Paul's, Grand Rapids	4	69
	" Trinity, Three Rivers	4	11
	" Redeemer, East Jordan	1	00
	" Grace, Holland	1	72
	" S. Mark's, Newaygo	1	42
	" Baldwin	2	10
	" Emmanuel, Hastings	7	19
	" S. Stephen's, Schoolcraft	1	56
	" Grace, Union City	8	00

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From	Grace, Charlotte	9 45	
"	S. Paul's, Muskegon	6 20	
"	S. Luke's, Muskegon	1 00	
"	Christ Church, Charlevoix	3 00	
"	Grace, Grand Rapids	6 35	
"	Grace. Traverse City	3 00	
"	Emmanuel, Petoskey	4 23	
"	Holy Trinity, Manistee	9 77	
"	S. Mark's, Coldwater	2 18	
"	Trinity, Niles	7 06	
"	Trinity, Grand Rapids	5 05	
"	Mendon	4 13	
"	S. Luke's, Kalamazoo	26 34	
"	Trinity, Marshall	5 43	
"	S. John's, Ionia	8 98	
"	S. Thomas', Battle Creek	11 91	
"	S. Paul's, Greenville	4 17	
"	S. Paul's, St. Joseph	7 34	
"	Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor	5 21	
"	S. James', Pentwater	4 00	
"	S. John's, Grand Haven	4 17	
"	Woman's Auxiliary	32 00	
"	S. John's, Grand Rapids	1 03	
Total			$702 49

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Credits for Moneys Disbursed.

1895.		
June 11.	Paid Rev. A. E. Wells, expense acct	$ 2 20
	Paid West Michigan Co., bills from June 13, 1895, up to June 4, 1896	18 75
	Paid D. Charles White, as per Bishop's orders	70 00
	Paid Rev. Lewis Brown, Exps. bills	8 55
	" F. A. Gorham, Treas., insurance on Mendon property	13 00
	Paid Rev. Philip W. Mosher, exp. bills	3 60
	" Seymour & Muir, printing bill, as per order of Rev. M. H. Martin	1 00
	Paid Garrelton, Cox & Co,, bill for Akeley.	1 50
	Paid Bishop's orders, expense of clergy attending Convocations	75 00
	Paid Bishop's order, expense of clergy attending Quiet Day at Allegan	40 00
	Paid Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D. expense acct	1 00
	Paid Young Churchmen, bill of Dec. 12, '95.	7 40
	" Chas. S. Worden, as loan per order	50 00
	" W. H. Mallory & Co., Churchman for Olivet College	3 50
	Paid Rev. W. H. Thomas, expense acct. Dec. 17, '95	1 00
	Paid Evening Post for Akeley	2 00
	" draft for special case, per order	3 00
	" W. J. Dibble, as per acct. rend	3 83
	" Rev. L. C. Rogers, expense acct. April 24	1 00

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	Paid Hon. Wm. J. Stuart for legal services.	20 00	
	" Miss Mary Rippey for Akeley.....	20 00	
	" Rev. J. W. Bancroft, extra copy Church Helper.....	5 00	
	Paid F. A. Gorham, Treasurer, for money advanced to pay insurance premiums	49 00	
	Paid Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, expense acct	80	
	Total		$ 401 13
June 4.	Balance on hand to new acct.....		301 36
1896.			
June 4,	Balance on hand.....	$ 301 36	

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In Account with Book and Tract Fund.

1895.			
June 5.	Balance on hand.....		$ 31 97
July 12.	Paid E. H. Green, for Charlevoix, per order.	$ 3 50	
26.	" Rev. J. W. Bancroft for Mendon and Sturgis, per order.....	15 00	
Oct. 31.	Paid Rev. W. P. Law, for Books, Hymnals and Tracts, per order	10 00	
Nov. 18.	Paid Eaton, Lyon & Co., bill Nov. 14th. per order.....	4 00	
1896.			
Jan. 3.	Paid Rev. M. S. Woodruff for St. Joseph, Miss	12 00	
Feb. 12.	Paid Rev. W. P. Law, per order	2 81	
June 2.	Carried to Diocesan Mission acct. to balance		15 34
		$47 31	$47 31

Treasurer in Account with New Book Fund.

1895.			
June 5.	Cash on hand	$1 72	
Dec. 9.	Paid the Bishop's order to Young Churchman Co....		$1 25
1896.			
June 2.	Cash balance on hand.....		47
		$1 72	$1 72
1896.			
June 2.	Cash balance on hand	47	

Treasurer in Account with Fund Candidates for Orders.

1895.			
June 29.	Received from S. Mark's, Grand Rapids...		$5 00
June 2. '96.	Now on hand		

Treasurer's Account with the Bishop's Penny Fund from June 5, 1895 up to June 5, 1896.

1895.			
June 5.	Cash on hand.....	$22 29	
17.	Paid the Bishop's order to Mrs. Wilkinson.		$24 00
1896.			
April 7.	From Trinity S. S., Marshall.....	10 00	
May	From Emmanuel S. S., Hastings	2 38	
June 2.	Cash balance on hand		10 67
	Total	$34 67	34 67
1896.			
June 2.	Cash on hand.....	$10 67	

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Treasurer in Account with Deaf Mute Fund.

1895.				
June	5.	Balance on hand	$34 94	
July	9.	S. Mark's, Grand Rapids	10 00	
Sept.	3.	S. Paul's, Elk Rapids	1 75	
	10.	Emmanuel, Hastings	3 96	
Nov.	5.	S. Mark's, Coldwater	4 00	
		Transferred from Diocese Mission Fund	90 00	
		Total		$144 65

CONTRA.

1896.				
June	1.	Paid Rev. A. W. Mann, stipend	$125 00	
		" " " collection made by S. Mark's Grand Rapids, July 19, 1895	10 00	
June	2.	Balance to new acct	9 65	
		Total		$144 65
June	2.	Balance on hand	$9 65	

D. G. Robinson, Treasurer, in Account with Church Building Fund.

1895.				
June	5.	Balance on hand	$47 71	
Sept.		By appropriation made by Board of Missions	50 00	
		Total		$97 71

CONTRA.

1895.				
Aug.		Transferred to Bishop's Trust Fund the income received from F.A. Gorham, Treasurer, May 5, 1895, on Rectory Building Fund	$40 48	
1896.				
Jan.	25.	Paid Rev. Philip W. Mosher, appropriation made by Board of Missions for S. Luke's Mission, Muskegon	25 00	
May	6.	Paid Rev. J. W. Bancroft, interest on Mendon mortgage from appropriation made by the Board, Sept. 10	10 80	
June	2.	Balance on hand	21 43	
		Total		$97 71
1896.				
June	2.	Balance on hand	21 43	

The report of the Woman's Auxiliary was presented by Mrs. Austin, the President of the Diocesan branch.

THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

The Sixteeenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Western Michigan was held in S. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, May 27. There was a larger attendance than usual from the parish branches, and of the five new organizations formed during the past year, three were represented by delegates. There are now twenty branches in the Diocese, of which number twelve make pledges for the special objects assigned us by the Board of Missions. Two Junior Auxiliary also make special pledges. In addition

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to the usual Diocesan pledges, six branches pledged $50 for Akeley Institute and a gift of $12 was made by members of three branches at the meeting.

This Diocese has for some years maintained the Somerville Scholarship at Thurston, Liberia. Owing to war alarms, the work at that station was for a time discontinued, so that the money paid in had accumulated. It has recently been resumed, and the Scholarship being paid up to January 1, 1899, it was voted to drop it, and the same sum, $25, will be given to aid a hospital in Circle City, Alaska, in charge of Dr. Campbell.

A change was made in the manner of paying the contingent fund, which will bear less heavily on the weaker branches. In place of two dollars for every branch as heretofore, it was made ten cents per capita.

It was altogether the most enthusiastic meeting ever held, and showed a marked increase in the interest manifested by the women of the Diocese in the work of the Woman's Auxiliary.

The total amount of money paid the Secretary or reported to her as having been expended for all objects is..... $1130 46
Value of Boxes..... 148 21
Total for the year..... $1278 67

A box is being prepared for a Missionary in the State of Washington, but I am unable to report it now, as articles for it are still to come from three branches. The objects for which we are pledged are the same as heretofore, except the Somerville Scholarship.

MRS. A. U. NOBLE,
Diocesan Secretary.

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Addresses were made by the Rev. M. S. Woodruff and the Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp. D. D.

Pledges were received from the Parishes and Missions:

Names of Parishes, Missions and Individuals	Parishes and Missions	Sunday Schools	Individuals
Allegan, Good Shepherd	$ 25 00	$ 10 00	.....
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	75 00	25 00	.....
Coldwater, S. Mark's	60 00	15 00	.....
Grand Haven, S. John's	40 00	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	500 00	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Grace	25 00	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	10 00	.....	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	35 00	10 00	.....
Ionia, S. John's	50 00	.....	.....
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	200 00	.....	.....
Ludington, Grace	5 00	1 00	.....
Marshall, Trinity	75 00	.....	.....
Manistee, Holy Trinity	10 00	.....	.....
Muskegon, S. Paul's	50 00	5 00	.....
Niles, Trinity	50 00	.....	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity	10 00	6 00	.....
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	10 00	.....	.....
Muskegon, S. Luke's	25 00	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	10 00	3 00	.....
Newaygo, S. Mark's (conditional)	150 00	.....	.....
Pentwater, S. James'	80 00	.....	.....
Rockford, S. James'	5 00	.....	.....
Luther, Christ	20 00	.....	.....
St. Joseph, S. Paul's	10 00	.....	.....
Mancelona, Nativity	30 00	.....	.....
C. R. Wilkes, Allegan	.....	.....	$10 00
Miss Cora Wilkes, Allegan	.....	.....	5 00
Wm. B. Williams, Allegan	.....	.....	5 00
Individual, Muskegon, Rev. P.W. Mosher	.....	.....	10 00
Rev. W. P. Law	.....	.....	10 00
Akeley Institute	.....	.....	20 00
Rev. J. E. Wilkinson	.....	.....	10 00
Rev. Wm. H. Thomas	.....	.....	25 00
Lyons, per Rev. W. P. Law	.....	.....	5 00
Rev. M. S. Woodruff	.....	.....	5 00
Rev. E. M. Duff	.....	.....	5 00
Brotherhood, Muskegon	.....	.....	5 00
Kalamazoo, per David Fisher	.....	.....	50 00
J. Davidson Burns	.....	.....	10 00
S. S. Class, per J. D. Burns	.....	.....	10 00
George Willard	.....	.....	10 00
J. E. Nelson	.....	.....	5 00
Rev. W. W. Taylor	.....	.....	5 00
Bible Class, Kalamazoo	.....	.....	10 00
Totals	$1560 00	$75 00	$215 00
Grand Total	.....	.....	$1,850 00

Recess was taken till 8:30 a. m. Thursday.

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SECOND DAY—THURSDAY 8:30 A. M.

Morning prayer was said by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Wm. Lucas, Wm. Westover and A. E. Wells.

The Bishop read that portion of his address which referred to clergy deceased during the past year, and offered memorial prayers.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff offered the following resolutions of tribute to the memory of the Rev. George C. V. Eastman:

Resolved: That in the death of the Rev. George C. V. Eastman, D. D., who entered into eternal life at the advanced age of 88 years, we lose from our earthly association and fellowship one who was of exceptional wisdom, of profound scholarship and untiring devotion to the duties of his holy calling, till the extreme of age placed him in retirement. Prominent in educational work in the east in the earlier years of his ministry, and in intimate association with the leaders of the Church in that period; receiving his orders from Bishop Griswold, and intimately associated with Bishop Hopkins, when he was nearing the extreme boundary of four score years, he took up missionary work in our Diocese, securing the erection of Holy Trinity Church, Benton Harbor, and holding services in places adjacent, as opportunity was given him. "Steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity;" warmly attached to his own Communion and enjoying the esteem of the entire community which surrounded him, he passed to his rest and to his reward.

May we, like him, be zealous in the performance of our duty, pure and guileless in spirit, patient in tribulation, clothed with humility, casting all our care upon God who cares for us.

Resolved: That we cherish as most precious the memory of those, who in the trying and arduous labors of the ministry, give us the example of untiring zeal, undeviating loyalty, and uncomplaining patience, as they fill up and complete the measure of their earthly service; and humbly pray that the One who supported them may give us strength to endure to the end, constantly serving God, feeding the flock, and being examples to the flock, that when the Chief Shepherd shall appear we may "receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away."

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The roll of the Clergy was called.

The roll of Lay delegates was called.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials made a supplemental report.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials respectfully report that Mr. C. E. Jameson of Trinity Mission, Three Rivers, is present, and they recommend that he be admitted as the Lay delegate from Three Rivers.

The report was accepted and Mr. C. E. Jameson was admitted to a seat in the Convention.

The Rev. J. Davidson Burns offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the sum of $250.00 be and the same is hereby appropritaed to the payment of the expenses of the Bishop and the Clerical Deputies who were in attendance at the General Convention of the Church which was held in Minneapolis in October last.

Adopted.

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The resolution of the Rev. Dr. Fair presented yesterday came up for consideration. On a vote by ayes and nays it was lost:

Ayes 13. Nays 16.

Reports of Standing Committees were called for.

The Report of the Committee on accounts of the Treasurer of Convention was presented.

REPORT.

Your Committee to whom was referred the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, and of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, beg leave to report that they have examined the same and the vouchers accompanying, and have found the same correct.

J. DAVIDSON BURNS,
FRED BARGHORN,
A. T. METCALF,
} Committee.

Report was accepted.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted;

Resolved: The Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan having accepted with regret the resignation of its Treasurer, W. J. Dibble, does hereby extend to him its sincere thanks and gratitude for his patient service and kindly courtesy during his term of office.

The Rev Philip W. Mosher presented the report on Christian Education.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Committee on Christian Education begs your consideration of their report.

The object of the report will be to present to you what the Church in this country has done by her colleges for Christian Education, and to lay before you some of the advantages which today may be obtained at her schools and Colleges.

The greatest college in this country in Colonial times was the Church College of William and Mary. The Church established the first schools in the country, and had it not been for an uprising of the Indians she would have founded the first college. William and Mary College was begun in 1619, completely destroyed in 1622, but re-established in 1693. Three times it was burned and reduced to poverty; the two most important wars of the country surged about its gates. In the first war nearly all its students joined the Continental army, and in the other conflict the battle of Williamsburg was fought on its campus. It has given to this country Benjamin Harrison, Carter Braxton, Thomas Nelson and George Wythe, signers of the Declaration of Independence. Also Peyton Randolph, President of the first American Congress, Edmund Randolph, Attorney General under Washington, and afterward Secretary of State, James Madison, James Monroe and John Tyler. Thomas Jefferson, a statesman whose influence is felt today, was a graduate, and he said that William and Mary College fixed the destinies of his life. That remarkable man, John Marshall, to whom under God we owe the Constitution of this country, was an alumnus of William and Mary College. Two Attorneys General, twenty members of Congress, fifteen Senators, seventeen Governors, thirty-seven Judges, one Lieutenant General, two Commodores, seven Cabinet Officers, one Chief Justice, and three Presidents are among the great and honorable men whom the Church has given to this country by means of William and Mary College. It was only when the College ceased to be a church institution that she ceased to produce great men.

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King's College, now Columbia, was founded by Trinity Church, New York, and therefore, and because its president must be a communicant of the Church, is a Church institution. In connection with it, in 1767, there was established the second medical school of this country. It was at Columbia that James Kent, the Blackstone of America, delivered his famous lectures on law, and there Samuel Morse, the Professor of the Literature of the Arts of Design, exhibited the first telegraphic machine. It would be impossible to call the names of the illustrious men which appear upon her rolls. It is sufficient to say that no educational institute in the City of New York has had a greater influence upon that city and upon the whole country than Columbia College.

The other Church College of Colonial times is at present the University of Pennsylvania. It was started by Benjamin Franklin; money was raised for it by collections in every parish in England; in connection with it the first medical school of America was established, and before the Revolution the Philadelphia College was more noted than Harvard or Yale.

Of the colleges established by the Church after the Revolution, Trinity College, Hartford, has the honor of having established the first professorship of Political Economy, and disputes with Hobart, another Church College, the honor of being the first to break away from the old curriculum and establish a course in English. Kenyon has given to the country Rutherford B. Hayes, David Davis and Stanley Matthews, who were Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, and Edwin M. Stanton, who said "If I am anything, or have done anything in the way of usefulness, I owe it to Kenyon College." Hobart, founded by Trinity Church, disputes with Trinity College the honor of the English Course, and holds the honor of graduating from its medical school the first woman doctor in the world. Priests, who are alumni of St. Stephen's College, are to be found in almost every diocese and missionary jurisdiction of this Church doing faithful work.

This is something of what the Church has done towards Higher Education—Christian Education—in this land. Her institutions have turned out well balanced, rounded, finished men, men possessed of the best characteristics, American gentlemen of honor and great abilities.

But what is the church doing today for Christian Education?

The Columbia College with its seven faculties and two hundred twenty-six professors, the Church has one of the very best Universities on this continent. Its new site is the "Buckwheat Field, on the top of a high hill," where the battle of Harlem was fought. The Cathedral will stand close by; St. Luke's Hospital is there; Grant's tomb is near; and by it flows the noble Hudson. It is just far enough from the city to make a charming place of residence, and near enough for one to profit by all the advantages which the metropolis has to offer. It is a University, and we believe that a man would do well to take his collegiate course in a small college and go to Columbia for his university instruction. The Church offers these small colleges, Trinity, Hartford, Conn.; Kenyon, Gambier, Ohio; Hobart, Geneva, N. Y.; St. Stephen's, Annandale, N. Y.; and the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn. There is not time to discuss the question of the merits of large and small colleges. We have shown what men some of these small colleges have produced. Today they present greater advantages than ever before. Trinity is in the midst of literary, cultured and wealthy Hartford, has three wonderfully good libraries at its command, makes a specialty of electricity, has as a teacher Prof. Robb who has done so much with the X rays, and has as its president Dr. Smith, whose personal influence is both an inspiration and a blessing to the students. Hobart in New York, and Kenyon in Ohio stand for all that Trinity does in New England. St. Stephen's with its new buildings, the gift of Dr. Charles F. Hoffman, and with Dr. R. B. Fairbairn, who has now been its head for thirty-three years, is better fitted than ever to give young men seeking the ministry of the church a thorough collegiate education. The University of

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the South, with departments of Art, Theology, Medicine and Law, with its Grammar School and business course in finance and economy, situated upon the Cumberland Plateau, 2000 feet above the sea level, offers to the Churchman of the South and Southwest an institution which meets the demands of southern life, and a University of which the Church may be proud. Of technical schools the Church has two of the best, the School of Mines connected with Columbia College, and Lehigh University, South Bethlehem, Pa.

Of other schools the Church possesses 242. Among these every Church man will be able to find the sort of school he wants for his children. St. Paul's, Concord, is acknowledged to be the best boys' school in America. Of Bishop Whipple's School at Fairbault, the editor of the London Times said that they were the grandest things he saw in America. And above all we would recommend to your careful attention our own Bishop's School, Akeley Institute. It is not merely the Bishop's school. It is ours. It has handsome and commodious buildings, beautifully situated in the pleasant and healthful city of Grand Haven. At its head are a man and a woman whose influence will be a lasting benefit to any girl. The corps of teachers is good, the apparatus is fair, but much more could be made useful. The course of study is thoroughly up to the times and yet it is not given up to mere notions of modern theorists. There is no sham about the school, nothing for mere show, but all is for sound learning and the cultivation of that which is womanly. It offers the principal thing that we should require in a school, that which Thomas Hughes says is the most important thing in education—an association with noble, high-minded Christian companions. Between the teachersandthe scholars at Akeley Institute there is maintained a close companionship, and the high class of scholars which the school contains should commend it to all parents who desire to see their daughters noble Christian women.

We nominate the following names for the position of trustees of Akeley Institute :

The Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Davies.
The Rev. Lewis Brown.
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.
Mr. Thomas A. Parrish.
Mr. E. F. Sweet.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes.
Mr. O. A. Packard.
Mr. David Fisher.

PHILIP W. MOSHER,
LEWIS BROWN,
THOS. SMURTHWAITE,
WM. B. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The nominations of the Committee were confirmed by the Convention.

The time for the order of the day having arrived the Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne, Chairman of the Committee on Canons, presented the report of the Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

The Committee on Canons to which was referred the proposed Constitution of the Diocese of Western Michigan, adopted at the last and rejected by this Convention, with instructions to make certain alterations therein and report the same to this Convention, respectfully report that it has altered the same to read as follows:

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CONSTITUTION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

ARTICLE I.

THE BOUNDS OF THE DIOCESE.

The Diocese of Western Michigan has jurisdiction over that part of the State of Michigan which embraces the Counties of Berrien, Cass, St Joseph, Branch, Van Buren, Kalamazoo, Calhoun, Allegan, Barry, Eaton, Ottawa, Kent, Ionia, Muskegon, Montcalm, Oceana, Newaygo, Mecosta, Isabella, Mason, Lake, Osceola, Clare, Manistee, Wexford, Missaukee, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanaw, Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet.

ARTICLE II.

ACCEDING TO THE GENERAL CONSTITUTION.

This Diocese, being a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to the Constitution and Canons of that Church, and acknowledges its authority.

ARTICLE III.

OF THE CONVENTION.

The Diocese of Western Michigan intrusts its legislation to a Convention composed as follows:

SEC. 1. The Bishop and each Clergyman canonically and actually resident and having Pastoral charge, or engaged in work consistent with his office, within the Diocese, for three months next preceding the meeting of the Convention; but a Clergyman otherwise competent shall not be excluded who by reason of age or sickness, is unemployed.

SEC. 2. Lay delegates, who shall be male communicants and chosen as prescribed by the Canons. Each incorporated Church in union with the Convention, shall be entitled to three Lay delegates, and each Mission Church in such union shall be entitled to one Lay delegate.

Provided: That a Church which shall be in arrears for any assessment due from it to the treasury of the Diocese, shall not be entitled to Lay representation; Provided, however, the Convention may, for good cause shown, by a three-fourths vote, remit or postpone the payment of any assessment.

ARTICLE IV.

ADMISSION OF CHURCHES INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. Churches, which may be admitted into union with the Convention, shall be Churches incorporated under the statute of the State of Michigan as Protestant Episcopal Churches, and shall be known as incorporated Churches; and also Mission Churches, which shall be organized as prescribed by the Canons of the Diocese.

SEC. 2. A Church complying with such conditions as are required by the Canons of the Diocese, may be admitted into union with the Convention.

ARTICLE V.

MEETING OF CONVENTION.

SEC 1. The Annual Convention shall meet on the first Wednesday in June at such hour and place as the previous Convention shall determine; but, when circumstances shall render it necessary, the Bishop may change the time and place of meeting; Provided, that fifteen days' notice of such change be given.

SEC. 2. The Bishop shall have power to call special Conventions, giving not less than thirty days' notice thereof; and he shall do so when requested by a vote of three-fourths of the Standing Committee.

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When there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention, giving not less than forty days' notice thereof. Such notices shall specify the purpose for which the Convention is called, and no other business shall be transacted at the meeting than that stated in the notice.

ARTICLE VI.

OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION.

The Bishop shall preside at all meetings of the Convention, and, in case of a tie, shall give the casting vote. If the Episcopate be vacant, or the Bishop be absent or unable to act, the members shall elect by ballot a President pro tempore, from among the Clergy, unless the ballot be dispensed with by an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE VII.

OF OFFICERS.

The Convention shall elect annually by ballot a Standing Committee to consist of four Clergymen and Three Laymen, communicants, and also a Secretary, Treasurer and Registrar. A Chancellor shall be nominated annually by the Bishop and confirmed by the Convention. And there shall also be elected annually such other Boards, Committees, Trustees and other officers as shall be prescribed by the Canon, resolutions or other action of the Convention. The powers and duties of the Standing Committee, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar and Chancellor, and all other Boards, Committees and Officers shall be such as prescribed by the Canons, and they shall be entitled, ex-officio, to seats in the Convention, without the right to vote.

ARTICLE VIII.

TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.

SEC. 1. A majority of the Clergymen of the Diocese entitled to seats, and the Lay delegates present, duly assembled in Convention shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except that a smaller number may adjourn from time to time.

SEC. 2. The Clerical and Lay Members shall deliberate in one body, and a majority of the aggregate votes shall decide, except in the cases provided for in Articles III, VI, IX and X. On a call of any five members entitled to vote, the two orders shall vote separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each Order shall be necessary to a decision.

ARTICLE IX.

OF THE ELECTION OF A BISHOP.

SEC. 1. When a Bishop, or an Assistant Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor is to be elected, the election shall be at the regular annual Convention, or at a special Convention duly called for that purpose, and such election shall require a majority of the votes of each Order voting separately.

SEC. 2. When a Bishop is to be elected, a motion to go into the committee of the whole shall be a privileged motion after the first ballot, and shall be carried by one-third of the votes of each order.

ARTICLE X.

OF ALTERING THE CONSTITUTION.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: Propositions for alterations shall be submitted in writing, and considered in an Annual Convention, and if approved by a majority of each Order, shall lie over to the next Annual Convention; and, if then approved by a majority of each order, with the concurrence of the Bishop, the Constitution shall stand altered as proposed.

Your Committee would recommend the adoption of the following Resolution:

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Resolved: That the foregoing Constitution of the Diocese of Western Michigan be adopted and submitted to the next Annual Convention, and if duly adopted by such Convention, it shall become the Constitution of said Diocese, and thereupon the Constitution in force this 4th day of June, 1896 shall be repealed; and until such final adoption the present Constitution of the Diocese shall remain in full force and virtue.

R. R. CLAIBORNE, Chairman.
J. B. HUBBS,
J. KLEINHANS,
F. A. GORHAM.

Moved by Mr. Wm. B. Williams, that the report of the Committee be accepted and the proposed amendments be concurred in. Adopted.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft offered the following resolution of amendment.

Resolved, That article 4 be amended by inserting in the fourth line after Churches, the words "or Parishes."

The amendment was adopted.

The question was on the adoption of the resolution of the Committee on Canons.

Adopted by a two-thirds vote by orders.

The Constitution as adopted lies over to the next Convention for final action.

The Clerk of the Board of Akeley Institute presented the following report:

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF AKELEY INSTITUTE.

To the Bishop, Clergy and Lay Delegates of the Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

I have the honor to report that Akeley Institute under the administration of Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson has had a very successful year, although the attendance has not been as large as the previous year.

There are three graduates to receive the honors of the Institute.

Arrangements have been made with Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson to place the financial administration of the School in their hands, which will relieve the Board of any responsibility for the current expenses and probably afford an income sufficient to meet the interest on the bonded indebtedness.

The Convention is asked to nominate five or more persons for election by the Board of Trustees of three to take the place of those who retire, viz.: Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D. D., Mr. Thomas A. Parish, and Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.

Respectfully submitted.

J. N. RIPPEY,
Clerk of the Board of Trustees.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas presented the report on Church Literature:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH LITERATURE.

The following report is respectfully submitted by the Committee on Church Literature:

This is pre-eminently a reading age, and to meet the almost universal demand, the printing presses are busy day and night.

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Daily and weekly newspapers, weekly and monthly magazines, to say nothing of the countless host of books, these are being scattered broadcast everywhere, bearing upon their pages instruction or amusement.

Politics and gossip, and manifold other kinds of literature are thrust constantly before the public eye, and are affecting for good or ill the minds, consciences and hearts of their readers.

The religious press is also supplementing pulpit and pastoral instruction. Our Sunday School literature is abundant. Our Church periodicals are clamoring for readers.

And it is the purpose of this report to consider chiefly the extent of these agencies *within our own Diocese.*

To what extent are our Church people provided with Church literature? Do they hunger for such intellectual food as they do for other reading? And if so, to what extent are these desires being met?

Every clergyman, Sunday School and Parish worker recognizes the great help that healthful literature is.

Pure and nutritious food is not more necessary to the nourishment of the body, than good, wholesome literature is to the mind and conscience.

How important, therefore, that Christian people, both old and young, have placed in their hands good reading matter.

This, of course, no one disputes. Then to what extent are we putting into the hands of our own parishioners literature of this character.

How many of our Churches have Parish libraries to which the people of the Parish have free access? And to what extent do they avail themselves of these books, in order to acquaint themselves with Church history, and with the lives of its illustrious men and women.

Assuming that all our Sunday schools are furnished with libraries what is the character of the reading they contain? Matter that is merely amusing, or sentimental stuff that neither instructs nor edifies?

In at least one respect we think the former days were better than these, in that more solid, and more profitable religious works were read by Christian people, both old and young. Among these there were in large proportion helps to the study of the Bible, dictionaries, and histories of this Holy book. Biographical works on prominent Bible characters, and men and women eminent for piety. These are, no doubt, in some proportion still to be found in our Sunday School, Parish, and private libraries, but are they now read as they used to be?

Our people are probably all newspaper and magazine readers, but to what extent do they take and read our Church papers?

There are in this Diocese over 3,000 Church families according to the reports of the last Journal. It would be interesting to know how many Church magazines and Church papers are taken. If the number is comparatively small as we fear it is, it is pertinent to ask how our people are to be intelligent Church people unless they acquaint themselves with what the Church is doing through the medium of our Church literature. To be well posted in current secular literature is of course commendable, but surely Christians ought to have some interest in knowing what is being done for the religious improvement of our land, and of the world at large. How are they to learn of these things? Surely not wholly from the clergy, for these have something more important to talk about in their capacity as preachers of the Gospel, than to be retailing Church news.

No doubt much of the indifference and even opposition toward missionary work is largely due to the prevailing ignorance about the Church's work in her missionary fields. And while missionary sermons are good and helpful they are of necessity of too rare occurrence to furnish the people with all the information they need and ought to have on this important subject.

Put our missionary publications and Church papers into their hands for a few years, and we will soon have a people ready to give liberally, because

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they know the needs of, and appreciate the glorious results that are being accomplished. So that as an auxiliary aid to the clergy our Church literature is of great value.

Now, what is being done for the circulation of our Church literature in this Diocese? How many copies are in circulation of the Spirit of Missions, the Quarterly Message, the N. Y. Churchman, the Church Standard, the Living Church, and of our own Church Helper?

Of the latter there are issued, monthly, several hundred copies among 3,000 Church families. Surely, there is a great lack of interest either on the part of our Church people, or on the part of the clergy, or both together.

Your Committee would make the following recommendation as to the Church Helper:

1st. That it should be doubled in size and in price.

2nd. That it be placed in every family in the Diocese, for one year at least, and that families unable to pay for it receive it free of cost.

3rd. That the Ladies' Aid Societies, Woman's Auxiliaries, or some other society in each Parish and Mission be allowed a commission of 40 per cent. for all copies they get orders for.

4th. That the editor and manager be paid enough for his services to make it worth his while to give time and his best efforts to make it a good and useful medium of information to the lay people.

5th. That an urgent effort be made to secure advertisements to supplement the subscriptions to make it self-sustaining.

If the secretaries of the various societies in the Parishes and Missions can be enlisted as contributors, furnishing the editor with occasional items of news of Church doings, the people may be expected to become interested in their own Diocesan paper by having it become a medium of interchange between the Parishes and Missions.

And thus, by enlarging the circulation, the Bishop's communications would be read by the people throughout the Diocese. The reports of our General Missionaries would reach a much larger constituency; and by culling choice selections from missionary periodicals and the larger Church papers our people in general would become well informed as to the work of the Church in our own Diocese and throughout the whole range of her operations.

With these recommendations your Committee begs to submit its report.

WM. LUCAS, Chairman.
W. E. WRIGHT,
CYRUS MENDENHALL,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by this Convention to confer with the Board of Missions in regard to the publication of the Church Helper.

Adopted.

The Chair appointed the Rev. W. W. Taylor, the Rev. L. C. Rogers and Mr. George Willard.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff and the Rev. Thomas Hines were excused from further attendance after morning session.

The report of the Committee on the state of the Church, was read by the Rev. L. C. Rogers:

[The Committee on the state of the Church has furnished the Secretary with the following outline of its report in place of the voluminous one read at the Convention.

Congratulations on the Bishop's health and strength.

Extent of the Diocese.

Population of the Diocese.

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Duty to all, not "our own people," only.
Statistics of 1895.
Insufficiency of workers. "Minor Orders" should be revived.
Financial condition satisfactory.
"Bequests" should be more general.
Missionary operations to be worked from "centres."
"Associate Missions" desirable.
Insufficiently paid Rectors to get Mission districts united to their Parishes.
Convocations given power.
General Missionaries to reside at some strong point in their Convocation.
Mission Board should be incorporated.
Clerical frequent changes should be prevented.
Insurances and Sick Benefits for Clergy ought to be provided.
"Christmas Fund" demands more liberal recognition.
Bishop's pastoral of 1895, ought to be read in all Parishes and Missions and its suggestions carried into effect.
The Spirituality of the Church should meet the carnality of the world.]

The report was accepted.

The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner presented the following report on the Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions:

REPORT ON REPORT AND ACCOUNTS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Committee to whom was referred the Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions, beg leave to report that they have examined the same with the accompanying vouchers and find them to be correct.

R. H. FORTESQUE GAIRDNER, Ch'm.,
MARCUS H. MARTIN,
J. J. WAIT,
J. E. NELSON,
IRA VAN VALKENBURG,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. W. P. Law, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is the sense or this Convention that the members of the Board of Missions take steps to incorporate the Board, to the end that gifts of property for missionary purposes may be had by the society.

Lost.

The Rev. J. B. Hubbs offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Diocese of Western Michigan in Convention assembled, does hereby extend to Mr. Wm. J. Dibble, an expression of its sincere gratitude to him for his faithful service and kindly courtesy as Treasurer of the Diocese and regrets that he deems it his duty to retire from the office.

The Committee on Federation of the Diocese was called upon for report. Further time was asked and granted.

The Rev. Wm. Wright presented the case of the excessive assessment of S. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids, and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the assessment on S. Andrew's Parish, Big Rapids, for 1895-6, be reduced fifteen dollars.

Adopted.

Recess was taken until 1:30 p. m.

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THURSDAY, 1:30 P. M.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Registrar, the Rev. A. E. Wells, presented the following report:

REPORT OF REGISTRAR.

As Registrar and Diocesan Librarian, I would respectfully report that the Journals of the Convention are stored and kept accessible for reference, and that the Journals of the General Convention and of the Diocesan Conventions and Councils and of the Missionary districts are received and duly filed for reference.

There have been added to the Library by gifts, 250 bound volumes from Mrs. J. B. Pritchard; by gift and purchase 37 volumes from others. And a large number of periodicals and pamphlets, some of them of considerable value, from Mrs. McKee, of Kalamazoo, and from others, who have kindly remembered the Library.

Of the appropriation made last year I have expended $8.38. I would respectfully ask the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That $25.00 be appropriated to the Registrar's department.

ALBERT E. WELLS,
Registrar.

The report was adopted.

The following report was made by the Grand Rapids Convocation which was read by the Rev. W. P. Law, Secretary.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

There have been no meetings of the Convocation during the year. At the annual meeting the Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., was elected President, and the Rev. W. P. Law, Secretary.

Reports were made by members of the Convocation of work done outside their Parishes during the year.

Moved and adopted that the Bishop be requested to give authority to the Convocations as missionary organizations to do missionary work.

W. P. LAW, Secretary.

The report was accepted.

The following resolution of thanks was offered by the Rev. W. P. Law:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered the Vestrymen and parishioners of S. Luke's Parish for the courtesy and kind hospitality tendered the delegates and visitors.

Adopted.

The usual compensation was voted the Pages and Sexton.

The sum of $100 as salary for the Conventional year, was voted the Secretary of the Convention.

Five hundred copies of the Journal were ordered to be printed.

The Rev. Dr. Van Antwerp offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the assessments on Grace Church, Holland, previous to 1895, be cancelled by this Convention.

Adopted by a three fourths vote.

The Secretary presented two communications from the secretary of the General Convention, notifying the Diocese of changes in the Constitution of the General Church.

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THE GENERAL CONVENTION
OF
THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

To the Convention (or Council) of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

In compliance with the requirements of Article 9 of the Constitution, I would hereby make known that the following alterations of the Constitution of the Church are proposed: to wit, those comprised in the resolutions subjoined, said resolutions having been constitutionally adopted by a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held in the city of Minneapolis, Minnesota, in October, A. D. 1895, to wit:

First.—It was by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages 30, 31, 222).

Resolved, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Strike out the Title and insert in place thereof the following:

"Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that portion of the Catholic Church known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America;" adding thereto the sub-title, "Constitutions."

Second.—It was by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages 142, 143, 144, 325, 326, 327).

Resolved, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution the following:

CONSTITUTIONS.

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately, and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Convention must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdictions, and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Convention, or, for its own needs by the House of Bishops, and shall hold office for life, unless he resigns or be relieved from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops.

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SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and by not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either Order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese, so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either Order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one Order only, such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the General Convention.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by Orders; and in all cases of a vote by Orders, the two Orders shall vote separately; each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two Orders, by not less than a majority in each Order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House; *Provided*, however, that if it shall appear that a constitutional quorum of the House has not voted, the Presiding Officer shall declare that there has been no vote of the House; and in such a case the question may be again put to the House when a quorum shall be present, at any time before the final adjournment of the Convention then in session.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Convention shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in Foreign Lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at such place as shall have been determined on by the Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Convention.

Third.—It was by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages, 87, 88, 138, 146, 305, 306, 319, 327, 328, 332)

Resolved, That the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions Article 9 of the Constitution.

In the ninth line of Article 5 strike out the words "any other Diocese" and insert the words "any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts or parts of Districts, or any existing Diocese;" and in the thirteenth line strike out the words "as well as," and insert after the word "concerned" the words "and, in the case of a Mission-

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ary District or Districts, of the Bishop and Convocation of each, and in no case without the consent"

so that it shall read as follows:

"No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts or parts of Districts, or any existing Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses or Districts, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, and, in the case of a Missionary District or Districts, of the Bishop and Convocation of each, and in no case without the consent of the General Convention, and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated Diocese."

Fourth.—It was by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages 140, 152, 313, 314, 337)

Resolved, That the following alteration be made in Article 5 of the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, in order that the same may be finally agreed to or ratified at the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Add at the close of the second paragraph the following words: "and also of the consent to the erection of such Diocese of a majority of the parishes or congregations in union with the Diocesan Convention, or of the parishes or congregations canonically constituted in a Missionary District within the territory of the proposed new Diocese,"

so that the concluding portion of the second paragraph of Article 5, as thus amended, shall read as follows:

"and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese; and also of the consent to the erection of such Diocese of a majority of the parishes or congregations in union with the Diocesan Convention, or of the parishes or congregations canonically constituted in a Missionary District within the territory of the proposed new Diocese."

Fifth.—It was by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages 96, 128, 319, 327, 328)

Resolved, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Add to Article 5 of the Constitution the following, to wit: "The General Convention may accept a cession of a part of the territorial jurisdiction of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory, and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory, shall consent thereto."

Article 5 as amended by the third, fourth and fifth of the foregoing resolutions will read as follows:

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese, to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions, viz.:—

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No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts, or parts of Districts, or any existing Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, and in the case of a Missionary District or Districts of the Bishop and Convocation of each, and in no case without the consent of the General Convention, and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese; and also of the consent to the erection of such Diocese of a majority of the parishes or congregations in union with the Diocesan Convention, or of the parishes or congregations canonically constituted in a Missionary District within the territory of the proposed new Diocese.

No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than six Parishes, or less than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than twelve Parishes, or less than twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned. *Provided*, that no city shall form more than one Diocese.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of a Diocese into two or more Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

The General Convention may accept a cession of a part of the territorial jurisdiction of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the Parishes in the ceded territory, and also the same proportion of the Parishes within the remaining territory, shall consent thereto.

In Testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,
Secretary of the House of Deputies.

Concord, Massachusetts, March 2, A. D. 1896.

THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

To the Convention (or Council) of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

In compliance with the requirements of Article 8 of the Constitution, I would hereby make known that the following alteration in the Book of Common Prayer was proposed in the General Convention of 1895, and is to be acted upon at the General Convention of 1898; to wit, that contained in the subjoined resolution:

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Book of Common Prayer, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several

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Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention:

That on the first day of January in the year of our Lord 1900, the place of the Golden Numbers prefixed to several days in the Calendar, between the twenty-first day of March and the eighteenth day of April, both inclusive, be changed, and that the golden numbers be prefixed to days in the Calendar in March and April, as in the following table:

In March:		In April:	
	21		1
14	22	13	2
3	23	2	3
	24		4
11	25	10	5
	26		6
19	27	18	7
8	28	7	8
	29		9
16	30	15	10
5	31	4	11
			12
		12	13
		1	14
			15
		9	16
		17	17
		6	18

and that in the fifth line of page XXV, the figures "1899" be changed to "2199."

In Testimony Whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.
Charles L. Hutchins,
Secretary of the House of Deputies.

Concord, Massachusetts.
March 10, A. D., 1896.

The matter was laid over to the next Convention.

The Rev. M. H. Martin offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That inasmuch as S. Paul's Memorial Church, Grand Rapids, appears from good and sufficient cause, to be unable to pay the arrearages of its assessment due to the Diocese, the full amount of said arrearages be and hereby is remitted by this Convention.

The resolution was lost.

Mr. Wm. J. Dibble offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the assessments on S. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids, for the years 1894-5 and 1895-6, amounting to $85.70, being paid in full, this Convention remit all amounts prior to 1894.

Adopted.

The report of the Committee on Federation of the Dioceses was presented and read by the Rev. L. C. Rogers.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFEDERATION OF DIOCESES.

The Committee on the Confederation of Dioceses to which was referred that portion of the Bishop's address in relation to the change of time of holding the annual meeting, and system of election of Vestrymen, respectfully report:

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That in their judgment it would be inexpedient at present to make any change in the time of holding the annual Parish meeting, for the reason that the reports of Church officers presented at such meetings are usually taken for the basis of the report made to the Diocesan Convention, and if the annual meeting be held in Advent, the interval between that time and the Diocesan Convention would be too long, to make such reports fuse, and also for the reason that to make such a change would require too many amendments to the act for the incorporation of Protestant Episcopal Churches.

In regard to the second item of the Bishop's recommendation as to the manner of electing Vestries, that no action could properly be undertaken looking to legislation without a conference with the Committees of the other Dioceses. In case such an amendment should be adopted, to the organic act, some number of Vestrymen divisible by three would have to be specified in the articles of agreement.

M. H. MARTIN,
L. C. ROGERS,
W. B. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby presented the following report of the Committee on Special Days:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBSERVANCE OF SPECIAL DAYS.

Your Committee not having been able to meet, have been unable to give the subject that consideration it requires, so can only recommend that the Bishop's suggestions be carried out as far as circumstances allow.

Yours respectfully,

HERBERT SOWERBY,
EDWARD M. DUFF,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The secretary of the Kalamazoo Convocation presented the following report:

REPORT OF KALAMAZOO CONVOCATION.

The Kalamazoo Convocation had no meeting during the year. At an informal gathering of the clergy of the Convocation the following action was taken:

Resolved, That we concur with the resolution passed by the Grand Rapids Convocation, requesting the Bishop of the Diocese to give the Convocations authority to do missionary work within their respective boundaries.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft was elected President and the Rev. W. W. Taylor, Secretary.

W. W. TAYLOR,
Secretary.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. L. C. Rogers offered following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to have printed in a conspicuous position in each issue of the Journal of the Convention, the following:

IMPORTANT TO PARISHES.

The corporate term of existence of a Parish like most other corporations is thirty years only. (See Constitution of the State of Michigan, Art. XV, Sec. 10.) The Laws of 1889, Act 110, provide for the method by which this term may be extended for a further period of thirty years. (See Howells' Annotated Statutes, Vol. III, Section 4904 c.)

Adopted.

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Mr. F. A. Gorham extended an invitation to hold the next Convention in S. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids. The invitation was accepted.

The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., gave notice of the Commencement of Akeley Institute and extended a cordial invitation to the members of the Convention.

The minutes were read by the Secretary and adopted.

The Bishop made a brief address and pronounced the Blessing of Peace.

The Convention adjourned.

GEORGE D. GILLESPIE,
President.

Attest.
J. N. RIPPEY, Secretary.
J. BREWSTER HUBBS, Assistant Secretary.

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APPENDIX A.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

We have reached the majority in our diocesan life and our complete organization. When in human life twenty-one years are attained, there is behind an infancy and a childhood. These we have passed through. There is secured an intelligence and experience. These we have arrived at. And with something of a young man's confidence and purpose, we regard the future. In my last address, I verified this with facts and figures so far as the past, and indicated what seemed to me some of the prospects and enterprises of the future. To-day I only greet you from the standpoint of manhood in the Family of Dioceses.

IN MEMORIAM.

The Bishop's address uniformly opens with notice of a breach by death in the Episcopate. This year does not form an exception. The Rt. Rev. Mark Anthony DeWolf Howe, D. D., ended his pilgrimage, reaching six years beyond the four score, July 31, 1895. After a long ministry, covering twenty-six years in one Parish in Philadelphia, and marked by all the elements of ministerial influence, in 1871 he was elevated to the Episcopate of Central Pennsylvania. In the years of vigor yet left to him he made full proof of this higher Ministry. To the energetic, wise labors of a Bishop he added a scholarly life. One who had the opportunity of a neighboring Diocese to know him, has lately said of him: "He was a writer of peculiar force and dignity. His style of composition is worthy of being studied as a model. He was a wise counselor, a staunch adherent of that conception and expression of the Gospel which is known as evangelical and free from all narrowness."

In our own little band one is not. March 6th, the Rev. Geo. C. V. Eastman, D D., at Benton Harbor, the scene of his last ministry, passed from the weakness of age to the life that knows no sickness nor weariness. He came to us eleven years before,

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then an aged man, but with a vigor of mind and body that made him the inspiring leader of the little band of church folk, and the builder, I think even with his own hands, of the church of to day. Five years ago he withdrew to the quiet of his home, and has peacefully, even cheerfully, waited for the coming o his Lord. It was one of the satisfactions of my visit to the Mission to meet him, and together we had our prayer to the God of our life, whose blessed summons we must soon hear. He was a scholarly man; an educator of prominence in a day when Church education meant very much to the Church's strength and growth; a preacher of the old school but of the truth and vigor that are never old; a Churchman "grounded and settled" in all the great principles of our creed and polity, with no care for novelties, but what is better far, not to be moved from "the old paths." And "he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith" as Barnabas was:

The good old man is gone!
He has gone to his saintly rest;
Where no sorrow can be known,
And no trouble can molest;
For his crown of life is won,
And the dead in Christ are blessed!

VISITATIONS.

The General Convention and a severe cold in February have lessened my time for work. For the first time in my Episcopate has sickness forbidden visitations for three Sundays. Notwithstanding these hindrances, all the Parishes and Missions of any active work, with six exceptions, have been visited, and so far as I am notified, in only one of these are there candidates for Confirmation. I must repeat the wish, I fear it can be only a wish, that the Clergy would prepare their candidates, so that my visitations could commence early in the year. The pre-Lent weeks in and after Epiphany would afford more time for preparation than the Lenten tide, and the services and instructions of this season would give that direction and impulse that the "newness of life" demands.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The number confirmed in 22 Parishes and 11 Missions and 4 other places is 346. It is gratifying to have noticed in the classes an unusual number of males and of mature persons. We must not overlook in our pastoral care those who may have long resisted our personal and pulpit efforts; and more, have "received the grace of God in vain." They are drawing nearer, some are very near, to "giving account of themselves to God," and their "turning from darkness to light, from the power of Satan unto God," would speak to those around them the power of the Cross, and give to the Church her chief because spiritual strength.

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THE PROGRESS OF THE YEAR.

The year has afforded tangible evidence that "our work is not in vain in the Lord." Three ordinations to the Diaconate, three Churches consecrated and three Missions organized, is the increase of stability and strength.

To refer to the Parochial record. There has been unusual activity in the improvement of church buildings and additions to property. Allegan has now one of the neatest and most pleasing of the smaller churches. Battle Creek has enlarged and improved its chancel. Coldwater has completed its edifice by frescoing, and an enlarged and improved chancel; and has put in a valuable organ. Elk Rapids is more than restored by insurance money. Luther has moved the Chapel where it is more accessible and sightly. Ludington has added a Guild House that only needs to be paid for to be a real satisfaction. Mendon and Union City have protected the sacred courts by new roofing; the former has restored Churchly appointments and brought back the goodly Church of former days. And in both cases all this means a great deal, far too much to give all the praise to man. Three Rivers no longer mortifies us with its boarded up windows and rough exterior. The Churches at Charlevoix and Central Lake have so far progressed that services have been held in both. Quincy secures by purchase the organ from Coldwater. The Mission at St. Joseph revives the work that had almost been forgotten and is a comforting gain.

In Parishes and Missions, I see and hear evidences of temporal and spiritual advancement. Congregations are larger, confidence in the Church and satisfaction in the Parish grow; the Sunday school is increased and better; the young people are drawn more into work that is directly for their souls' welfare; the Church gathers in those who were not in any fold, or have been converted to her from other folds. Then the Clergy are more settled, and the longer they are in the Diocese the more they are in sympathy with it, and the readier to follow the Convention's lead, and the Bishop's suggestions.

THE SUPPLY AND VACANCY OF PARISHES.

But two clergymen at work with us at the last Convention have withdrawn. The additions to the Clergy list have been by ordination. Holland is full of satisfaction and hope in having once more a settled Rector, and the Diocese welcomes back the Rev. Dr. Van Antwerp. Sturgis and Mendon show their esteem for their young minister. Ludington is alive again, but it must "follow after the things that make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another," to live and flourish. St. Joseph falls under the care of the Missionary at Benton Harbor, adding to his opportunity, and I hope to his re-

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sources. The General Missionary of the Grand Rapids Convocation gives Reed City, Hart, Kalkaska, such attention as his engagements allow, and Portland is looked after by the General Missionary of the Kalamazoo Convocation.

In July, 1895, and January, 1896, Homer and Albion were vacated by the Rev. Thomas H. Henley, a great mistake on their part in my opinion, and both have since been without the shepherd's care. Charlotte has remained with closed doors. I am now informed of a desire to resume services, but the compensation offered is so limited, I fear that it will be long before I can gratify it. Elk Rapids is virtually vacant, although the resignation does not take effect until June 15, and this carries with it the vacancy of East Jordan and Central Lake, faithfully served by its Rector. Greenville is in the same condition with which for several years its life has been wasted. Petoskey was resigned by the Rev. E. W. Jewell, Jan. 1, 1896, and awaits the removal of debt to ask for a Minister, which as debt is wont, seems to move very slowly. Quincy, after long years, has been weaned from Coldwater, the Rector's Sunday time and strength being needed at home. Rockford has had, for several months, the bi-monthly services of the Rev. M. H. Martin. Saugatuck waits for the summer to open the church doors.

The record of vacancy is always painful. To a Bishop's grief, is often added a Bishop's blame. I am made aware, by what is told, and more written to me now, that long after my stewardship is over, there will linger in places the tradition how there was a time of grand opportunity that was lost by the Bishop's neglect. The power of mission which even the Clergy sometimes think the Bishop should exercise is very beautiful and effective in theory, but it needs the power of the purse behind it to make it work. The people seem to think that the dollar in the clerical hand has a marvelous power of purchase. I will "endure the grief, suffering wrongfully," but when "the Lord hath ordained that they who preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel," however much I may desire that the field should be occupied, I see no duty to send the Deacon or Priest where his study must be to keep the wolf from the door, rather than to shepherd the sheep.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

Ten Clergymen have received aid from the Fund of the Diocese and the grant of the General Board during the whole or part of the year. The number of places served by local Missionaries is fifteen. The General Missionaries have given regular services, commonly monthly, to seven places, occasionally to thirteen. In all, fifty-nine places are brought more or less under Church influence. The whole expenditure for Mis-

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sions in our bounds has been $4,108.73. Our Diocesan Fund has contributed to church erection $35.80. The Rectory Fund has loaned to Churches and Akeley Institute $1,399.87.

The points that have received attention from the parochial clergy are fewer than should be. Grand Rapids, St. Johns', Rev. J. B. Hubbs; south-west section, Rev. C. Fair, D. D.; Lyons, Rev. Dr. Thomas; Muskegon, S. Luke's, Rev. P. W. Mosher; Quincy, S. John's, Rev. H. Sowerby. Harbor Springs has again been under the summer care of the Bishop of Missouri. The Rev. A. Reeves, M. D., is faithful to the Lord's Day morning service at St. John's, Grand Rapids. Lay work has been rendered at Homer, Three Rivers, Elk Rapids, Grand Rapids; St. Matthew's, Grace, St. Beda's, Holland, Muskegon, S. Luke's, Petoskey.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONFERENCE AND THE QUIET DAYS.

The Semi-Annuals have been at Newaygo and Ionia. The Quiet Day for the Clergy was conducted at Allegan, by the Rev. James H. Stone, D. D., Rector of S. James' church, Chicago. For the first time, I was absent, compelled by sickness, but all assured me how excellent and helpful were the addresses. Greatly to his regret and ours, a sudden hoarseness compelled Dr. Stone to withdraw on the morning of the Quiet Day for Women. The suggestion made in my last address, that Quiet Days and Missions should be conducted among ourselves, has been carried out in several Parishes. The interchanges of the Clergy during the Lenten season have the benefit of relief in this busy time, of making acquaintance with each other's Parishes and thus forming the bond of interest and sympathy. I am friendly to whatever will promote, not every Parish looking on its own things, but every Parish also on the things of others. The resolute payment of pledges and assessments, the generous support of Akeley Institute, would all be fostered by mutual acquaintance of the households of faith.

GENERAL MISSIONS.

The offering to our domestic and foreign Missions for the year ending Sept. 1, 1895, amounted to $1,490.52. It is very gratifying that this was $245.28 in excess of the previous year. The omission of offerings is in four Parishes, five Missions. We are so near the proud record of no omission that we must reach it this year. If we do not, the fault is with the Clergy. There is not the feeble mission where the alms basin would return to the Minister empty, certainly not if he had in an intelligent, sensible way talked Missions to the people.

SOCIETIES IN THE CHURCH.

While the society for the Increase of the Ministry is not our creditor for aid to our candidates, we have a large indebted-

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ness for the past that should have made our payment more than $37.16, in four sums, for the year ending Sept. 1, 1895. The American Church Building Fund Commission has given to St. Paul's Grand Rapids, $200, and loaned the same sum; $56.27 is our acknowledgment of the liberality. Our faithful brother, the Missionary to the Deaf Mutes, reports received in the Diocese, aside from his stipend, $30.86. The Church Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews credits us for the year $42.59. The St. Andrew's Brotherhood, the Daughters of the King, for which I have just appointed a Diocesan Secretary, and sundry organizations for parochial work exist in our borders.

The Woman's Auxiliary is gradually establishing itself in our Parishes, and here and there it claims a Mission. Its list of homes is only about one-fourth of that of our Parishes and Missions, and I am surprised at the absence among them of what we count our stronger holds of numbers and influence. It is certainly not for lack of information or invitation, for the President and Secretary have been most active in these regards. I can only explain it by that wretched parochial selfishness which, if pastors and people only knew it, works self weakness and despondency. The Auxiliary was originally organized to aid our Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. It becomes a misnomer when its energies are directed and its funds gathered for diocesan, and especially parochial objects. These are all worthy of woman's time and exertion, but let us not get charity mixed. I am glad to learn from the tabular statement of last year, that of the $1,130.46 raised in money, $934.20 went outside the Diocese, while only $196.26 was used within. In the matter of the boxes we interchange. The women send out of the Diocese, not the less determined to make the value of each good, and Miss Emery sees that all that is asked for is sent in, and from the good words I hear in the homes where the response comes, exchange is no robbery. The late meeting at Grand Rapids goes far to silence the complaint of the poorly attended annual meeting. The absence of the Clergy is partly explained by the nearness of the Convention.

Young People's Societies, meeting on Sunday evening, have been organized in several Parishes; and at the last Semi-Annual, steps were taken looking towards a general conference of the societies.

AKELEY INSTITUTE.

Our Diocesan School has had its quiet yet effective life. We are cheered by the evidences of good learning acquired, of moral and religious sentiment pervading youthful minds, and of the satisfaction of parents and guardians. The number of boarders, an average of 24, has fallen below our expectations.

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More advertising is a necessity. It is not uncommon for such schools to keep an active agent constantly in the field. The denominational colleges, with their preparatory department and out-boarding arrangements, can make expenses even below our moderate terms. The wealthier class of Churchmen in the exercise of a liberty we cannot question, send their daughters to the expensive seminaries at the East, and withhold their aid as their patronage from their own institution.

The need of funds to meet interest, insurance, repairs and any deficiency in running expenses, so constantly referred to in these addresses, has led the trustees to appoint two clergymen, kindly undertaking the duty, to solicit annual subscriptions, a circular being distributed to explain and enforce the appeal. While Akeley has had its most generous friends, the Diocese as a whole has never come to our aid. We have exhausted application abroad, which has been largely our dependence in the past, and upon the success of this effort must greatly depend the future. The slight increase in terms has, so far as we are aware, led to no decrease of patronage, while it has protected us from large deficiency in running expenses.

It is gratifying that the Diocese of Michigan, at the last Convention, named the Rev. W. H. Osborne for election as a trustee, and he has been accordingly chosen.

In the details of finance, we have received gifts from within and without the Diocese amounting to $1,321.90. The Confirmees' Fund has realized $135.45. To meet deficiencies, $690 has been loaned from banks and an individual.

PENAL AND PAUPER INSTITUTIONS.

I have devoted three Sundays, Thanksgiving and Christmas Days, and Tuesday in Holy Week, to the State House of Correction and Reformatory, State Prison, School for the Blind, Industrial School for Boys, School for the Deaf, and Industrial Home for Girls. To this has been added the visitation of State institutions 8 times, of jails 16, poor houses 8, attendance at the annual conference of Superintendents of the Poor, and convention of the Board of Corrections and Charities, and 10 meetings of the Board. The National Conference of Charities and Correction will hold its annual session in Grand Rapids, commencing June 4th. A gathering as this is, of experts, through official relations, study and observation, it offers the widest opportunity for information on some of the greatest interests of society. Our State and city are honored in such an assemblage. Following as it does our convention, I hope that it will secure the presence of its members. The times have forced upon us the case of the non-self supporting members of society, and crime has taken on most fearful proportions in number of criminals, and the character of their

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daring and cruelty. In the interests of government, of humanity, of self protection, we must face these great problems. The citizen cannot close his eyes with the daily paper in his hands, the Clergyman cannot be a man of the times and not discern these signs, the Christian cannot pray with the spirit and with the understanding, "Thy kingdom come," and not be concerned over these fearful offences in the way of the glorious consummation. I can never regret the time I have given to "Corrections and Charities," nor be too thankful for the opportunity the State has given me to come in close touch with them; and all the more if, as the result, there may be stamped on this Diocese an interest in the pauper and the criminal.

DIOCESAN INTERESTS.

The music of the church. Vested Choirs, variously composed, are becoming common in our larger Parishes. I regret that the cotta should be made the vestment of women, against which several Bishops have protested. The large choir demands the choir room. It is anything but agreeable to the feelings of the hour for the minister to be surrounded with playful boys, and to be in the midst of the talk and movements of preparation for the service. The Church, by her Rubric and Canon, has protected the Rector from the tastes that would introduce "hymns not allowed by the authority of this Church, and anthems not in the words of Holy Scripture, or of the Book of Common Prayer"—a protection that may not be waived in the interest of musical display or peaceful relations with the choir. The want of reverence, more notable in adult choirs, is often very painful. Kneeling, even when singing that most serious supplication in the decalogue, is disregarded. This prompts the question, whether parts of the services that are purely devotional, should be committed to those who make it so evident that they do not enter at all into their spirit. And indeed it is worthy of consideration, especially when the singers are distinguished by a peculiar dress, sometimes all but clerical, and are placed on the sacred ground of the chancel; whether it is right to allow in the choir those who make no pretense of religious character, and who are even known to deny the very truths they so emphatically utter in sacred song.

Rubrical conformity. It should be understood that only the revised Prayer Book is now allowed to be used. With the low price of the book there is no apology anywhere for the people not being provided. Rubrical conformity is more than ever the duty of the Clergy. The late revision has met the changes that time had rendered advisable, and the voice of the Church asked for. Departures from the rubric must proceed from carelessness, from self will, or listening to preferences and

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complaints from the pews. It were hard to tell which is most at variance with ordination vows, and true respect for Church authority. The people generally do not ask for a parochial use. They prefer uniformity and are annoyed when it is departed from. They have in their hands the directory of worship, and they expect their Ministers to follow it. They want the two lessons from Holy Scripture and the Te Deum. They love the Litany, and are grieved when they rarely hear it. I believe that they miss the Collect, Epistle and Gospel, the key notes of the day; and think that to hear them should not be the privilege of only the few who may come to early communion. And in the Evening Prayer, they understand that the Church does not intend that the prayers after "A Collect for Aid Against Perils" shall be uniformly omitted, even on the Lord's Day. I speak advisedly because the people speak to me. The Clergy are not aware how they injure their own respect and authority, when the people have before their eyes the imperativeness of the law and the plain departure in the Chancel. They complain of what they have themselves set the example.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The subject of Christian education as connected with the home and the Parish has been much impressed on my mind, and I have presented it in some of the Parishes. The interests of the State demand the impress on youthful minds of at least the principle of an elevated morality. How largely are our politics but schemes in which trickery and falsehood are the great factors? What is the dishonesty of official station, and in the business world? The interests of society make the same demand. What are the known indiscretions and appetites that wreck youthful lives, the scandals within homes that in the spring tide and summer, the beauty of the tree and flower around them seem all incongruous? What a misnomer is Holy Matrimony, in view of divorce laws relied on in forming the marriage bond, and so often called in and readily applied to meet unhappy tempers and fickle affections? And the interests of the Church and of individual happiness and holiness, are equally imperative. The prospects of the household of God are dimmed, as we look over the congregation, and see the gray heads of the fathers and mothers, and miss the bright countenances of the youth. And there is many a sad sign that an unbelief, or at least a levity that belongs to the day, has practically infused in the life of young men and maidens. "There is no God."

As we think on these things, we see nothing but a creed that embodies the personal God, the living Christ, the sanctifying Spirit, that can keep ward over a sinful nature, can thrust

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away every influence and temptation that a world lying in wickedness must ever offer; so as the new generation comes on the scene of life it will possess the securities of an enlightened conscience, a pure mind and will, a heart that turns reverently and lovingly to Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

What shall give us the "training up of the child in the way he should go?" We turn to the State in its educational work, and it says: It is not in me. We turn to the home, and there is a more cheering response, and yet how far are its responsibilities from being fully recognized, how far its opportunities from being fully improved. We turn to the Church, and it admits its province; it owns its moral and religious machinery, but it pleads its enforced inefficiency.

Brethren of the Clergy, the work must be begun, continued and ended—made complete in all its instrumentalities, by us. It was to one in our office and ministry that the Lord said, "Feed My Lambs." "We are helpers with God" in the regeneration that touches every age and condition of His children.

I have no time for the detail of means beyond naming the more prominent. Catechising at the Minister's lips cannot be extinct. It is not impracticable, the Church said so, when in the recent revision of the Prayer Book the old rubrics were left untouched. The requirements of Title I, Canon 18, § iii [1] that require, applying to the maturer youthful mind, "informing the youth and others in the Doctrine, Constitution, History and Liturgy of the Church;" may be met by the class meeting, that can command another than the burdened Lord's Day. The Sunday school should be under the Pastor's control, in the selection of teachers and the course of instruction; and should know his presence and hear his voice. A familiarity with the children should be encouraged, that counsel and instruction may come kindly and persuasively. And home interest and influences must be aroused by "using both public and private monitions." If thus "with all faithful diligence we are to banish and drive away from the Church all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's Word," why not banish and drive away from the home the sad neglects which are the positive wrongs, of no family altar, no parental sacred solicitude, no repulse of the influences of a "world at enmity with God." Are you not Ministers of the lambs, bound to often bend your steps with the same seriousness of rebuke and exhortation to the home where is the moral sickness, the threatening of spiritual death, as to that which summons you by the feeble body and the failing breath?

SECULARISM IN THE CHURCH.

Another subject that seems to me of very fearful potent is, the secularizing of the Church. "My Kingdom is not of this world," has not lost its force through the ages. History has

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told its mockery—how the kingdoms of this world have sought to put the Church under their control; how the Church through its principalities and powers has yielded in the struggle. And today, in a land that boasts no Church and State, and with the Church claiming only a spiritual warfare, and proclaiming her loyalty to her head; even in the details of parish life, we are alarmed at the signs of a following of the world, to falling in with its ways and its thoughts, its tact and its trickeries, and setting aside what the Lord has spoken, and upon what He has set his blessing.

It meets me in the common experience of pastoral selection. I am in conference with a vestry or in correspondence with them, to place over them "a steward of the mysteries of God," an "ambassador for Christ." What should we expect would be the inquiry, the scrutiny? Would it not be in the line of a "Man of God," "a faithful Minister of Christ," one approved by past service, one who in his living Christ can "come boldly to the throne of grace" to call down the blessing on his ministry! And how is it? I do not exaggerate when I say, what I am asked, what is sought, is in these regards, the social qualities, the business tact, the drawing power in the pulpit, the touch with men who care nothing for the Church, but whose money is wanted, and even the exterior of the person. I would not utter here the terms used to give an idea of what the Parish wants. It is all, much more the man of business seeking a clerk, a commercial traveler, than men of God seeking one to whom they may commit the interests of their souls and of the souls of their families.

It is this same standard borrowed from the world that has brought us to the very serious crisis, of inability for men of little past middle life "to live of the gospel." Learning, experience, a good record of service and success are all set aside because "the dew of youth" has left the brow. The world is kinder to advancing years than the Church. When we think of these things, there is a saying of the Lord that sounds very fearful. "He that heareth you heareth me; and he that despiseth you despiseth Me; and he that despiseth Me despiseth him that sent Me."

It meets me in the experience of parochial support. Did the primitive system of a common fund from which the Clergy should derive their support attain, and "every man should give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord which He "had given him;" there would be the treasury of the Lord, and "whatsoever a man soweth that should he reap." But as it is, every parish looking only on its own things and for its own Minister and needs, the element of charity is eliminated, and paying church expense like any other expense comes in its place. It is a travesty of charity to bring the support money

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to the Altar, and sing over it an ascription to the Blessed Trinity, or the commonly heard Scripture, as a solemn dedication of what is given in the extremity of ability, and in the most devotional spirit.

But the wrong goes further. You are aware of the devices to secure money for the sustentation and advancement of the Parish. To the social and the sale, the one for friendly advances, the other a matter of business; have been added such amusements as the dance, the card table, the theatricals, and others that have in them equally if not more the appeal to purely animal gratification. The Scriptures elevate giving of your substance to a high spiritual plane. They make it the natural outcome of a living faith. They dignify it as fruit of the Spirit, they graduate it by the amount of possession. How thoroughly these devices set all this aside. What hope of the blessing when the Parish deliberately sets aside God's ordinance and turns to the world for its ways and works. What is this but the repetition of what of old brought down on Simon Magus the malediction, "Thy silver perish with thee, because thou hast thought to obtain the gift of God with money." The Church is true to what the Spirit hath taught her. The offertory has place in her holiest office. She attends the act with utterance of the Spirit's witness. I must add I am amazed at the apparent repugnance of the Clergy to the utterance of these Scriptures, and the substitution of what the choir, who care for none of these things, may choose to sing. And then the order is "shall reverently bring it to the Priest, who shall humbly present and place it upon the Holy Table." We have seen the world invading the sacred pulpit, in current events made the text of discourse; the newspaper made a text book with the Bible. Where a right or wrong is involved, it may be well for the preacher to say on which side he and the Church stand, but we Ministers of Christ, have His testimony to present; we have the souls for whom He died to save. The work is broad, the issues are tremendous. Does society ask us to take in charge her wrongs, does labor appeal to us to adjust its relations? We turn no deaf ear to the appeal; we refuse not the opportunity of the pulpit; but to the claim, this is your province as the preachers of today, we answer, "I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down; why should the work cease, whilst I leave it and come down to you?" Topics of the day may help the congregation, but it is a fearful thing to turn God's Holy Temple into a lecture hall.

The world has gained another point when it has induced the preacher to adopt the arts of the popular orator, to leave the power of the word of God for so called sensationalism. The Church pulpit has surely descended to the devices which

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would make the Church a comic theatre. But we see the entering wedge in the advertised discourse, especially with the enigmatical title. We see the temptation when the contrast is presented between the sparse gathering and the closely packed audience. We know that there are in every Parish men and women who would like to have it so, and think and say this is the way to build up.

My Brethren of the Clergy to us it belongs to guard the citadel of God, to preserve Christ's Church "a Kingdom not of this world" Is the holiness of your office lost sight of, and are men refusing to recognize the Divine commission in the "earthen vessels?" Let us show them in our lives a purity, a devotion becoming that commission, and the sacred titles we bear. In whom as we whose "study all the day long is in God's law," who, while other men from morn to eve are pressed with the cares and anxieties of their calling, and are forced against the corruption in all the paths of life; are in the retirement of the study "in heart and mind ascending into the heavens," or mingling in scenes to cultivate every Christian grace—in whom as in us, should "Christ be admired," and men recognize "kings and priests unto God?" Brothers, let us beware that we seek not the notoriety that earthly station courts, that we seem not to "war after the flesh," nor to strive to walk in the paths where worldly ambition makes its conquests. Let us in our parochial administration, insist upon "a Kingdom not of this world," and draw the lines between the Church Christ loved and gave himself for it, and the world that hated and crucified him.

My Brethren of the Laity, whatever the Church may be to you it is as the Holy Catholic Church. Your interests as guardians of your parishes, as well as in behalf of your own souls are bound up with a "Kingdom not of this world." There should be no contest, as there often is, between the Rector and the people over methods of raising money. It is not a question of prerogative, but of loyalty to Christ, and of blessing to all for which a Parish exists.

We must all "have faith in God."

As Rectors, Wardens, Vestrymen, Parishioners, we must walk by faith. We must look away from policy, popularity profit, as the world rates them, and act on the principle that God's Church must be governed in God's ways. We must cast away the traditions of ministerial service and parish works and ways, and guide our plans and purposes by the suggestions of a "Kingdom not of this world."

What the whole Church needs is faith in her ascended Head. To realize what He said "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." "Lo, I am with you always even unto the end of the world."

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MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED.

I submit the following not for immediate action, but as matters that are worthy your thought and inquiry.

First. The change of the parochial year from Advent to Advent, following what has been introduced into some Dioceses. The adjustment of parochial finances and the Vestry election come unhappily into the solemnities of Holy week and the holy joy of Easter, especially when the latter may be attended with some variance.

Second. The incorporation in our State law of a feature in the "Act for the Incorporation of Churches" in the State of New York with application to all Parishes. "At each annual election of an incorporated Protestant Episcopal parish hereafter incorporated, one church warden shall be elected to hold office for two years; and one-third of the total number of the vestrymen of the Parish shall be elected to hold office for three years." This would help to relieve a Vestry from the odium of discharging a useless member, and would secure a healthful rotation in office.

CONCLUSION.

And now my Brethren of the Clergy and Laity, I release your attention, asking that calm, careful consideration of what may come before you, that alone can render our Convention what it is intended to be to the Diocese. While all around us is the feverish excitement over who shall be the chief ruler of the land, let us, the citizens "of a heavenly country," be no less interested and intent, that Jesus through his Church shall be "crowned with glory and honor, and all things put under him"—He, "the Governor among the nations."

THE COLLECT.

Lord, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve Thee in good works, to the glory of Thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

The Episcopal visits and visitations are so generally attended with the Bishop's preaching, administering the Holy Communion, and addressing the children, that it is not necessary to mention in every instance.

1895.

June 4–7. Tuesday, Thursday, GRAND HAVEN, S. JOHN'S. The Convention. 24 Clergymen and 24 Laymen were present, the latter representing 11 Parishes and 4 Missions. The proposed Constitution was subjected in Committee and in Convention to very close examination, with prolonged discussion on Article 3, Section 2—proportionate representation. The Constitution as adopted awaits your final action. Article 9 of the present Constitution was amended by rejecting the provision that in the absence of a full delegation "the delegate or delegates present may cast the full vote thereof." The election of a Chancellor of the Diocese "on nomination of the Bishop," was made practicable. It may be proper to state in this place, that of the Lay Delegates and Alternates to the General Convention elected none were able to attend, leaving the Diocese for the first time unrepresented.

June 9. Trinity Sunday, MANCELONA. Confirmed 5. This was my first visit, and gave me hopeful anticipations which have been since realized as far as the situation allows.

June 11. S. Barnabas Day. In S. MARK'S, GRAND RAPIDS. Admitted to Deacons' Orders only, Henry Duncan Chambers, presented by the Rector—the sermon by the Bishop. In the evening in GRACE CHURCH, officiated at a wedding.

June 16. First Sunday after Trinity, GRAND HAVEN, S. JOHN'S. Delivered the graduation sermon, and in the evening preached in the chapel of Akeley Institute.

June 18. Tuesday. Attended the meeting of the Trustees. The generosity of one of Akeley's best friends had reduced the shortage of the year one half. Action was taken to increase the charges $50 annually.

June 19. Wednesday. Commencement; the address by the Rev. Dr. Prall, was a presentation of "Ideals." The brilliant thought and manner of the speaker attracted and gratified the attention. This was the best Commencement Akeley has had; more were present from aboad; greater interest was

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shown in the school, and a spirit of hopefulness and gratulation prevailed.

June 10–21. Thursday–Friday. Study. The examination of Rev. Thomas H. Henley, the second for Priests' Orders; of Carl Reed Taylor, the three examinations preceding Deacons' Orders.

June 23. Second Sunday after Trinity. IONIA, S. JOHN'S. A. M., Ordered Deacon Carl Reed Taylor, presented by the Rector—the sermon by the Bishop.

June 25. Tuesday, NEWAYGO. Solemnized a marriage.

June 26, Wednesday, STURGIS, S. JAMES' MISSION in the evening. Confirmed 8, presented by the General Missionary.

June 27. Thursday, CASSOPOLIS, S. JAMES' MISSION. Confirmed 2, presented by the General Missionary. The want of a place for services, and diminished numbers depresses the work here. I have asked the Rector of Niles to assume it.

July 1. Left for my summer vacation at CHARLEVOIX, returning August 30.

July 9–14–21–28. August 4–25, the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 11th Sunday after Trinity, CHARLEVOIX. Officiated and took part in the services. The Rev. William Short, of the Diocese of Missouri, the Rev. C. C. Tate, of the Diocese of Chicago, and the Rev. Lewis Brown of this Diocese kindly assisted me, preaching on three occasions. The church, though unfinished, made us grateful for the improved accommodations.

August 11. Ninth Sunday after Trinity, PETOSKEY, EMMANUEL MISSION. In the morning baptized the wife of the minister. Evening, confirmed 5.

August 12 Monday P. M., GRAND RAPIDS, assisted in funeral services.

August 18. Tenth Sunday after Trinity, EAST JORDAN, REDEEMER. Officiated with the Missionary. The church now needs little for completion. It is among our vacancies.

September 1. Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, GRAND RAPIDS. A. M. preached in S. PAUL'S, evening in GRACE.

September 8. Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, BIG RAPIDS, S. ANDREW'S. Confirmed 2.

September 15. Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity, LUDINGTON, GRACE. Confirmed 5.

September 18. Wednesday, A. M., GRACE CHURCH, GRAND RAPIDS. Confirmed 1. Evening, S. MARK'S, made an address relative to the General Convention. I had by a Pastoral recommended the observance of this Ember Day as a day of Prayer for the great Council of the Church, and had appointed the service to be used.

September 22. Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, THREE RIVERS, TRINITY. In the morning baptized a child. Evening, confirmed 3.

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September 24. Tuesday. Study. The third and final examination of Rev. Thomas Henley for Priests' Orders.

September 25. Wednesday evening, GRAND RAPIDS, S. PAUL'S. Confirmed 8.

September 29. Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, GRAND HAVEN, S. JOHN'S, in the morning. Preached. Evening, Akeley Institute —address on "resuming School Life."

September 30. Monday. Left to attend the General Convention at Minneapolis. I was most kindly entertained by Mr. H. C. Akeley and Mr. Geo. H. Fletcher and their families. The meeting of our great Council has been so fully commented on that it is unnecessary for me to specially refer to it. It made a good record for the length of the session, but as usual very much that concerns the well being of the Church was either untouched or brought to no valuable conclusion. As an illustration of this, three Missionary Bishops who had been summoned from Africa, Japan and China, had but a few moments to face the Convention in either house. I especially regret that the matter of provinces made no progress, and the interests of the negro were so slightly noticed.

October 20. Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, STILLWATER, MINNESOTA. Preached.

October 23. Reached home.

October 27. Twenty-ninth Sunday after Trinity, GRAND RAPIDS, S. MARK'S, at the morning and evening services. Had the pleasure of introducing Bishop Brooke of Oklahoma, and Bishop McKim of Japan.

November 1. All Saints' Day. Akeley Institute. Met my annual appointment.

November 3. Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity, MENDON, S. PAUL'S. Officiated at two services. It was very cheering to be in the Church, I feel that it was once more our own.

November 10. Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity, LUTHER. Confirmed 3.

November 11. Monday, REED CITY. Confirmed 2, and baptized an infant. The Churchmen here seem a little more willing to be known as such.

November 14. Thursday, MUSKEGON, S. PAUL'S. Preached at the conclusion of a Mission which had some promise of results.

November 15. Friday, GRAND RAPIDS. Officiated at a funeral at St. Matthew's Chapel.

November 17. Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, NEWAYGO, S. MARK'S. Confirmed 4.

November 18. Monday, BALDWIN, S. MATTHEW'S Mission. Preached. A congregation may always be gathered here, and the General Missionary and others have improved the opportunity.

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November 19-21. Tuesday-Thursday, NEWAYGO, S. MARK's. The Semi-Annual Diocesan Conference. On Wednesday the Church was consecrated. The Instruments of Endowment and Donation read by Mr. E. S. Bennett. The Sentence of Consecration by the Rev. W. P. Law. The Sermon preached by the Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.

November 24. Sunday before Advent, HOLLAND, GRACE. Officiated. I should make record now that the Parish has a Rector, of the long faithful services of Mr. C. S. Stevenson as Lay Reader. To this we owe the keeping alive and the dawning of a brighter day.

November 28. Thanksgiving Day. Spent the day at the brightest of our State Institutions—the School for the Deaf.

November 30. St. Andrew's Day, GRAND RAPIDS, S. MARK's. Administered the Holy Communion.

December 1. Advent Sunday, HASTINGS, EMMANUEL. The Consecration of the Church. The Instruments of Endowment and Donation was read by the venerable Mr. D. G. Robinson, the Sentence of Consecration by the Rector, the Sermon by the Bishop. The Rev. Mr. Bancroft, to whom the Parish under God, is indebted for her first foundation and a long continuance of nursing care, was present; and it was gratifying that to many who "had borne the burden and heat of the day" were spared for this blessed consummation. Evening, confirmed 2.

December 3. Tuesday, ROCKFORD. The Consecration of the Church. The Instruments of Donation and Endowment were read by the Rev. W. P. Law, the Sentence of Consecration by the Rev. M. H. Martin, in charge of the Mission, the Sermon by the Rev. E. M. Duff. Eleven years has the Church waited to be released from debt.

December 8. Second Sunday in Advent, THE STATE HOUSE OF CORRECTION AND REFORMATORY, IONIA. My Annual Sunday. Now, for the first time in my knowledge of our State Institutions, we have a Chaplain of our own Communion.

December 10-11. Tuesday and Wednesday, FLINT. Attended the Annual Convention of the Board of Corrections and Charities.

December 15. Third Sunday in Advent, MICHIGAN STATE PRISON, JACKSON. My annual Sunday.

December 17. Tuesday. Examination of Cyrus Mendenhall, a Candidate for Deacon's Orders.

December 22. Fourth Sunday in Advent, GRAND RAPIDS, GRACE. Ordered Deacon, Cyrus Mendenhall, presented by the Rev. J. B. Hubbs, the Sermon by the Bishop.

December 25, Christmas, INDUSTRIAL HOME FOR GIRLS, ADRIAN. Conducted appropriate services.

December 29. Sunday after Christmas, BENTON HARBOR.

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Preached at both services. Afternoon, ST. JOSEPH. Confirmed 5.

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January 2 Thursday, GRAND RAPIDS, S. PAUL'S. Assisted in the marriage service of the Rev. E. M. Duff and Daisy Konkle.

January 5. Second Sunday after Christmas, SCHOOLCRAFT, S. STEPHEN'S MISSION. Preached twice.

January 12. First Sunday after Epiphany, GRAND RAPIDS, S. MATTHEW'S MISSION. Officiated. The Hon. M. C. Burch, who has acted as Lay Reader for three years and has kept the Mission alive, desires to close his services. The Mission is too weak to wholly sustain Ministerial services. Afternoon, S. JOHN'S MISSION. Preached.

January 18. Saturday. Officiated at a funeral.

January 19. Second Sunday after Epiphany, PORTLAND. Baptised an adult and 2 children and confirmed 2. This was taking up an old work which would have more promise were more money in view.

January 20. Monday, GRAND LEDGE. Confirmed one, in private, and administered the Holy Communion to an invalid.

January 26. Third Sunday after Epiphany, UNION CITY, GRACE. Confirmed 2. There is a reviving interest here.

February 2. Septuagesima, LANSING. In the A. M. preached in S. PAUL'S CHURCH. Visited and addressed the School for the Blind and the Industrial School for Boys.

February 19. Ash Wednesday, Akeley Institute. I was here not to break my record of presence on this day, but was almost voiceless.

February 24. S. Matthias' Day, GRAND RAPIDS, S. MARK'S. Commemorated my Consecration in receiving the Holy Communion, and "made mention of the loving kindness of the Lord" amid many trials and disappointments of the twenty-one years of my Episcopate.

March 1. Second Sunday in Lent, CHARLOTTE, GRACE. Baptized 2 children, and preached twice. This second suspension of the services is very painful.

March 8. Third Sunday in Lent, MUSKEGON, S. PAUL'S. In the morning, confirmed 9. Afternoon, S. LUKE'S MISSION, preached. The Rector makes his Sunday laborious, adding the Chapel service, with the walk to and fro.

March 15. Fourth Sunday in Lent, ELK RAPIDS, S. PAUL'S. Confirmed 4. The depression of business has suspended Clerical charge, but happily Lay services and the Sunday School sustain parochial life.

March 16. Monday, TRAVERSE CITY, GRACE. Confirmed 5. The building is to be moved immediately to the new lot. I hope that this will bring new life to a Parish that mortifies us when we compare place and Parish.

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March 17. Tuesday, CHARLEVOIX, CHRIST. Preached.

March 18. Wednesday, PETOSKEY, EMMANUEL. Preached. The debt has now advanced to three times the sum then reported, and the hope of a settled Minister seems more distant than ever.

March 20. GRAND RAPIDS, S. PAUL'S. Preached.

March 22. Sixth Sunday in Lent, GRAND RAPIDS, TRINITY. Confirmed 6. Evening, GRACE. Confirmed 5. No Parish has suffered more from the times than this. The result has been a decrease in salary that threatens the loss of an admirable Rector.

March 24. Tuesday, AKELEY INSTITUTE. Confirmed 6.

March 26. Thursday, MANISTEE, HOLY TRINITY. Confirmed 24. This Parish shows the riches of its liberality, in addition to ordinary expenses struggling with a large debt.

March 29. Sunday before Easter, NILES, TRINITY. Confirmed 19.

March 30. Monday before Easter, THREE RIVERS, TRINITY. Preached. There is no material here to renew the Vestry, and the provision of a Mission is contemplated. The revived interest calls for some organization.

March 31. Tuesday, INDUSTRIAL HOME FOR GIRLS, ADRIAN. Made an address appropriate to the week.

April 3. Good Friday, COLDWATER, S. MARK'S. Confirmed 10.

April 5. Easter Day, STURGIS, S. JAMES' MISSION. Confirmed 3. We realized a blessed Easter in a Mission, with only an upper chamber.

April 6. Monday in Easter Week, GRAND RAPIDS, S. BEDA'S MISSION FOR DEAF MUTES. Confirmed 5, and after had the pleasure of receiving the members of the Mission at the Episcopal Residence.

April 8. Wednesday, HASTINGS, EMMANUEL. Confirmed 7.

April 10. Friday, ALLEGAN, GOOD SHEPHERD. Confirmed 15.

April 12. First Sunday after Easter, GRAND RAPIDS, S. MARK'S. Confirmed 28. Afternoon, S. MARK'S CHURCH, baptized an infant. Evening, S. PAUL'S. Confirmed 16.

April 14-16. Tuesday-Thursday, IONIA, S. JOHN'S. The Semi- Annual Diocesan Conference.

April 19. Second Sunday after Easter, KALAMAZOO, S. LUKE'S. Confirmed 21.

April 20. Monday, MENDON, S. PAUL'S. Confirmed 9, a class that in its composition gives hope of strength.

April 25. S. Mark's Day, GRAND RAPIDS, S. MARK'S. Made an address.

April 26. Third Sunday after Easter, A. M. BATTLE CREEK S. THOMAS'. Confirmed 27, on the previous evening, 3 in private. Evening, MARSHALL, TRINITY. Confirmed 9.

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May 3. Fourth Sunday after Easter, IONIA, S. JOHN'S. Confirmed 14.

May 4. Monday, GREENVILLE, S. PAUL'S MISSION. Preached, and conferred with the members on resuming services.

May 10. Fifth Sunday after Easter, BENTON HARBOR, HOLY TRINITY MISSION. Confirmed 4, and one in private. There is a lack of interest here that should not be with the able and faithful ministerial care they receive. In the afternoon, S. JOSEPH, S. PAUL'S MISSION. Confirmed 7.

May 14. Ascension Day, BIG RAPIDS, S. ANDREW'S. Confirmed 3. The Parish lacks an active Vestry, and that always means weakness.

May 17. Sunday after Ascension Day, GRAND HAVEN, S. JOHN'S. In the morning Confirmed 4. The Rector has resigned to take effect July 1st, and the Vestry have come to the unhappy conclusion that at present they cannot pay a salary. Evening, AKELEY INSTITUTE. Officiated.

May 24. Whitsunday, LUDINGTON, GRACE. Baptized 2 adults and Confirmed 10. The class was chiefly adults, with three men whose standing promises strength to the Parish. A vested choir of women and boys has been established.

May 27. Wednesday, GRAND RAPIDS, S. MARK'S. The Woman's Auxiliary of Western Michigan. Made the opening address and attended the interesting session. Evening. Presided at the Missionary Meeting and was thankful that we could present there such able advocates of Missions. The whole day was very inspiring.

May 31. Trinity Sunday, GRAND RAPIDS, S. JOHN'S MISSION. Confirmed 3. The Mission under the charge of Rev. J. B. Hubbs and the Rev. A. Reeves M. D., has two services on the Lord's Day, and has an encouraging outlook.

SUNDRY MEETINGS.

During the year I have attended sundry meetings as follows:

DIOCESAN BOARDS.

Board of Missions.—June 6, September 11, 1895; April 16, June 2, 1896.—4.

The Association of the Diocese and the Trustees.—June 1, 1895; June 2. 1856.—2.

Parishes and Vestries.—September 6, 1895, S. Matthew's, Grand Rapids; December 29, St. Joseph; January 19, 1896, Portland; March 30, Trinity, Three Rivers; May 4, S. Paul's Mission, Greenville; May 12, S. Matthew's, Grand Rapids; May 17, S. John's, Grand Haven.—8.

Clericus of Grand Rapids.—September 26, October 31, 1895; February 27, March, May 28, 1896.—5.

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Akeley Institute.—June 4-6, 1895, visit; June 16, Commencement Sermon; 18, Trustee Meeting; 19, Commencement; September 29, visit with service; November 1, visit with services; January 14, 1896, Meeting of Trustees; January 15, visit; February 19, visit with services; March 24, Confirmation; April 7, Meeting of Trustees; April 13, Committee of Trustees; April 30, Meeting of Trustees; May 17, visit with services.—14.

Butterworth Hospital.—Services: December 27, November 22, 1895; January 24, February 28, May 22, 1896.—5.

Examination of Candidates.—June 20, 1895, a Candidate for Deacon's Orders, and a Candidate for Priest's Orders; September 24, a Candidate for Priest's Orders; December 17, a Candidate for Deacon's Orders; April 24, 1896, a Candidate for Deacon's Orders only.—4.

Lectures.—February 4, 1896, State Normal School; March 6, Alma College; April 2, Hillsdale College.—3.

Board of Corrections and Charities.—June 24, 1895, Meeting of the Board, Lansing; August 13-14, Convention of Superintendents of the Poor, Northern Asylum, Traverse City, and Meeting of the Board; September 3, the School for the Blind, and Meeting of the Board, Lansing; November 7, School for Imbeciles, and Meeting of the Board, Lapeer. November 27-28, School for the Deaf, Flint; December 8, Sunday, House of Correction, Ionia; 10-11, Conference and Convention, School for the Deaf, Flint; December 15, Sunday, Michigan State Prison, Jackson; December 25, Christmas, Industrial Home for Girls, Adrian; January 7, 1896, Michigan State Prison and Meeting of the Board; February 2, Sunday, School for the Blind, and Industrial Home for Boys, Lansing; March 12, Michigan Asylum and Meeting of the Board, Kalamazoo; March 31, Industrial Home for Girls, Adrian, and Meeting of the Board; April 1, State School, Coldwater; April 15, House of Correction, Ionia; May 7, Eastern Asylum, Pontiac.—25.

Associated Charities.—June 20, September 9. October 24, 1895; May 8, 1896.

The Executive Committee of the National Conference of Corrections and Charities.—September 24-25, October 24, December 13, 1895; February 20-24, 1896.

SERVICES OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

October 20, 1895. Preached at Stillwater, Minnesota; February 2, 1896, Preached at S. Paul's, Lansing.

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SUMMARY.

Baptized infants, 8; adults, 6	14
Married	3
Buried	3
Preached	97
Addresses delivered, not including confirmation	25
Children's services and addresses	22
Celebrated the Holy Communion	33
Confirmed in 22 Parishes, 11 Missions, and 4 other places	340
Meetings and Conferences	45
Organized Parishes visited 23; Missions 19; other places 5; visited once, 27; twice 13; three times, 1; four times, 3; seven times, 2. Total number of Visitations	82
Clergymen received	0
Clergymen transferred	4
Clergymen in the Diocese accepting and changing Parishes and resigning Parishes	3
Services participated in	132
Visits to Schools and Colleges	18
To State Institutions, 17; Institutions at home	
To Jails, 18, and Poor Houses 8	26
Visits and services outside the Diocese	2

GEORGE D. GILLESPIE,
Bishop of Western Michigan.

LAY READERS.

Holding license till Easter, 1897:

Charles A. Stevenson, Grace, Holland, January 30, 1889.

Ralph K. Johnson, Grace, Ludington, March 5, 1895.

A. T. Metcalf, M .D., S. Thomas', Battle Creek, April 8, 1896.

Horatio B. Lewis, S. Paul's, Elk Rapids, May 25, 1892.

E. S. Bennett, S. Mark's, Newaygo, March 19, 1896.

Nathan D. Beedon, Christ, Homer, March 18, 1891.

C. E. Jameson, Trinity, Three Rivers October 19, 1895.

J. E. Nash, S. Beda's Mission, Grand Rapids, September 9, 1893.

St. Quentin H. Williams, Emmanuel, Petoskey, February 7, 1896.

POSTULANTS.

Charles Sylvester Worden, Emmanuel Church, Petoskey, Hobart College, October 13, 1894.

D. Charles White, Hobart College, September 4, 1895.

Charles Willoughby Vincent, Grand Rapids, June 22, 1895.

Chilton Rupert Stearns, August 6, 1895, transferred to the Missionary Bishop of The Platte.

DEACONS CANDIDATES FOR PRIESTS' ORDERS.

Rev. Carl Reed Taylor, Sturgis and Mendon, June 7, 1893; ordered Deacon, June 23 1895.

Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall, Ionia, April 23, 1895; ordered Deacon December 22, 1895.

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ORDAINED.

June 11, 1895. S. Barnabas Day, in S. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, ordered Deacon Henry D. Chambers, candidate for Deacon's orders only. Presented by the Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D.

June 23, 1895. Second Sunday after Trinity, in St. John's Church, Ionia, ordered Deacon Carl Reed Taylor, candidate for Priest's orders. Presented by the Rev. William H. Thomas, D. D.

December 22, 1895. Fourth Sunday in Advent, in Grace Church, Grand Rapids, ordered Deacon Cyrus Mendenhall, candidate for Priest's orders. Presented by the Rev. John B. Hubbs.

LETTERS DIMISSORY GRANTED.

(The date given is that of the acceptance by the Ecclesiastical authority to whom transmitted.)

November 1, 1895. The Rev. Charles W. Ivie, A. M., to the Ecclesiastical authority of Long Island. Resigned as a General Missionary, September 1, 1894.

March 12, 1896. The Rev. Thomas H. Henley, Deaeon, to the Ecclesiastical authority of Pittsburg Resigned charge of S. James', Albion, January 12, 1896, of Christ, Homer. July 1, 1895.

May 4, 1896. The Rev. Ernest W. Jewell, to the Ecclesiastical authority of Marquette. Resigned as Missionary of Emmanuel, Petoskey, January 1, 1896.

May 23, 1896. The Rev. Sidney H. Woodford, to the Ecclesiastical authority of Michigan.

CHAGES IN THE DIOCESE.

June 16, 1895. The Rev. Henry D. Chambers, Deacon, appointed to the charge of Grace, Ludington.

January 1, 1895. The Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., assumed charge of Grace, Holland.

September, 1895. The Rev. Carl Reed Taylor, Deacon, appointed to the charge of S. James' Mission, Sturgis, and S. Paul's, Mendon.

DIED.

March 6, 1895. The Rev. George C. V. Eastman, D. D., at Benton Harbor.

MISSIONS ORGANIZED.

January 8. 1896. S. Paul's, St. Joseph.
January 20, 1896 The Nativity, Mancelona.
May 13, 1896. Christ, Luther.
June 1, 1896. Trinity, Three Rivers.

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CHURCHES CONSECRATED.

November 20, 1895. S. Mark's Church, Newaygo.
December 1. Advent Sunday, Emmanuel, Hastings.
December 3. S. James', Rockford.

PASTORALS ISSUED.

December, 1895. Temperance Sunday.

FUNDS RECEIVED.

For Akeley Institute:

Mr. James M. Parsons, Marshall	$10 00
Miss Annie Nock, Philadelphia	10 00
The Church of the Transfiguration S. S., Philadelphia	60 00
Mt. Calvary Church, Baltimore	25 00
C. R. Wilkes, Allegan, coupons	30 00
Bishop Tuttle, bal. of receipts at Harbor Springs	9 90
Miss Millie Kuhli, Ludington	2 00
Henry Brees, Kalamazoo, coupons and check	30 00
Mrs. Anna Fox, Grand Rapids	50 00
Miss Annie Beeson, Niles	100 00
Bishop Davies	10 00
S. John's Church, Ionia	33 00
Mrs. Joshua L. Fowler, Ft. Logan, Colorado	100 00
Miss Hess, Grand Rapids	2 00
Mrs. Grace M. McClintic, Charlotte	10 00
Grace Church, Grand Rapids	2 00
S. Mark's Church, Newaygo	4 00
F. C. Miller, Grand Rapids	5 00
Friends of Akeley paid Mrs. J. E. Wilkinson to apply on deficiency June, 1895	500 00
Friends of Akeley Institute	200 00
Rev. John W. Brown, D. D., S. Thomas' Church, New York	25 00
The Diocesan branch of Woman's Auxiliary	12 00
Collected by Rev. Lewis Brown—	
Trinity Church, Marshall	25 00
S. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo	7 00
S. Thomas', Battle Creek	10 00
Henry Brees, Kalamazoo	50 00
Total	$1,321 90

Total sum received for Akeley Institute—

From within the Diocese	$1082 00	
From without the Diocese	239 90	
Total		$1321 90
Applied to meet deficiency in income for school expenses, 1895	$500 00	
To pay interest on bonds	780 00	
Balance on hand	41 90	
Total		$1321 90
Received from Confirmees Fund from June 1, 1895		135 45

For the Bishop's Trust Fund:

The Woman's Auxiliary	$64 50
A Friend	5 00
Bible class S. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo	10 00
Total	$79 50

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For Diocesan Purposes:

Mrs. R. L. Richmond, of Grand Rapids	$50 00

Miscellaneous:

Friends of the Diocese at the Bishop's disposal	$250 00
Received from Executor of Mrs. Permelia Pritchard a Communion Set, left to the Diocese by Rev. J. S. Pritchard.	

APPROPRIATION OF THE GRANT OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 1, 1895.

Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary	$400 00
" W. P. Law, " "	400 00
" M. H. Martin, Charlotte	100 00
" E. W. Jewell, Petoskey	100 00
" J. N. Rippey, Elk Rapids, East Jordan, and Central Lake	200 00
" M. S. Woodruff, Benton Harbor	100 00
Total	$1300 00

NOTICES OF CLERGY DEPOSED.

August 25, 1895. Rev. Daniel Rollins, by the Bishop of Massachusetts. "Such renunciation was not occasioned by foregoing misconduct or irregularity, but was voluntary, and for causes, assigned and known, which do not affect his moral character."

November 28, 1895. Rev. Marvin Hill Dana, by the Bishop of Albany. "Having received his declaration in writing of his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church."

December 1, 1895. Rev. Samuel Erastus Arthur, by the Bishop of Missouri. "At his own request, and for reasons not affecting his moral character."

November 18, 1895. Nelson Ayers, by the Bishop of Mississippi. "He having renounced his Ministry."

June 3, 1895. Rev. Joseph S. Jenckes, by the Bishop of Indiana. "He having declared in writing his renunciation of said Ministry."

December 19, 1895. Rev. Alfred F. Moore, by the Bishop of Ohio. "He having declared in writing his renunciation of said Ministry."

February 24, 1896. Robert Habersham Barnwell, by the Bishop of Kentucky. "He having renounced the said Ministry and requested to be deposed therefrom."

May 26, 1895. Rev. Charles H. Baggs, by the Bishop of Chicago. Under Title II., Canon 5. §i.

April 13, 1896. Rev. Frederick Francis Sherman, by the of Rhode Island. "At his own request, and for causes not affecting his moral character."

May 23, 1896. Rev. Samuel Richard Fuller, by the Bishop of Massachusetts. "Having declared in writing to me his renunciation of the Ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church, for the reason that he openly abandoned and renounced the Discipline of this Church."

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SUSPENSION.

October 29, 1895. "Acting in accordance with the advice given me, at my request, by the Bishops of this Church, I hereby officially promulgate and announce to you, the suspension of the Rt. Rev. Henry C Riley, late Bishop of the Valley of Mexico, from all exercise of his office and Ministry; said suspension to remain in full force until such time as the sentence shall be remitted, or until the Bishops shall proceed after trial, to the conviction or acquittal of the suspended Bishop."

RESTORATION TO THE HOLY MINISTRY.

April 8, 1896. The Bishop of Pittsburg remitted and terminated the Sentence of Deposition pronounced by him on the tenth day of June, 1886, upon Joseph T. Wright, Priest, and restored him to the excerise of his Ministry in this Church."

May 14, 1895. "The Bishop of Louisiana, did remit and terminate the Sentence of Deposition pronounced upon Quincy Ewing, at his request, under Title II., Canon V., Sec. i, and reinstate him to full exercises of his Ministry as a Priest in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

CANDIDATES DROPPED.

May 10, 1895. Reddington Lavelle Snyder, Candidate for Priest's Orders, "for causes not affecting his moral character," Diocese of California.

May, 1895. E. L. Lappington, R. N. Magill, Candidates for Deacon's Orders only, "for causes not affecting their moral character, Missionary Jurisdiction of Western Texas.

May 26, 1895. John Mattocks, Candidate for Holy Orders, "withdrawn;" Charles M. Kish, Candidate for Holy Orders, "dropped;" J. A. Mackay, M. J. Wilkins, Postulants, "dropped," Diocese of Illinois.

June 14, 1895. George Perry Wilson, Candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, Diocese of Massachusetts, "for causes not affecting his moral character."

June 26, 1895. George H. Daugherty, Postulant; William G. Moler, Candidate for Holy Orders, Title I. Canon 4, Sec. IV [2], Diocese of Southern Ohio.

July 30, 1895. Richard Edmund Armstrong, William Cyprian Hopkins, Candidates for Holy Orders, "at their own request," Diocese of Vermont.

September 2, 1895. Erastus Edmund Lord, Candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, "in accordance with his request," Diocese of New York.

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September 18, 1895. Guy Carleton Lee, Candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, "in acordance with his request," Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

September 20, 1895. Arthur Vernon Woodworth, Candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, "for causes not affecting his moral character," Diocese of Massachusetts.

October 7, 1895. Charles Hitchcock, Candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, "in accordance with his request," Missionary District of Northern California.

December 24, 1895. John B. Kalonia, Candidate for Holy Orders, "for causes not affecting has moral character," Diocese of Long Island.

January 3, 1896. I. M. Frost, Eugene Rucher, Axel J. Lundeberg, Candidates for Holy Orders, "for causes not affecting their moral character," Diocese of Minnesota.

February 25, 1896. Henry Eli Carver, Candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, "in acccordance with his request," Diocese of New York.

May 25, 1896. Robert Westlake Bowman, DeLancey Burdette Hamblin, George Ward Bushnell, "without dishonor, ceased to be candidates," Diocese of Central New York.

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APPENDIX B.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

St. James' Church, Albion, County of Calhoun, 1867.

The Rev. —— —— ——, Rector.
C. Howard Daskam, Harry D. Thomason, Wardens.
Chas. L. McClellan, Secretary and Treasurer.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $10; from the offertory, $30; subscriptions, $250; Women's Guilds, $16 50. Total, $306.50.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, (paid to Rev. Henley), $250; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $36.12.
Total for Parochial objects, $286 12.
For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $16.50.
Total for Diocesan Objects, $16.50.
Total of disbursements, $302.62.
Balance in hand, $3.88.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $5,000. Indebtedness, floating, $35.00; due the Diocese on assessment, $9 98; missionary pledges, $15; insurance on the church $3,500; total, $3,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, about 300; of these, free, all. Bishop's Address, page 70.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan, County of Allegan, 1858.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas, Rector, (1895.)
Charles R. Wilkes, Lay Reader.
Wm. B. Williams, Almeron A. Calkins, Wardens.
Charles H. Adams, Secretary.
Frank H. Williams, Treasurer.
Samuel D. Pond, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 67; adults, 180; children, 57; total, 237. Of these, baptized persons, 187; baptized during the year, infants, 3; adults, 5; total, 8. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 130; confirmed during the year, 15. Communicants, last reported, 112; admitted, 15; received, 3; total added, 18. Present number male, 38; female, 92; total, 130. Marriages, 6. Burials, 4. Public services; Sundays, 105; holy days, 10; week days, 55; total, 170. Holy Communion, public, 16. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 6; female, 8; total, 14; pupils, male, 36; pupils, female, 50; total, 86; average attendance, 60. Catechising, number of times, 15. Number of volumes, Par-

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ish library, 20; S. S. library, 240. Subscribers to Church Helper, 12. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid, Woman's Auxiliary, Altar Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $73.94; from the offertory, $37.11; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $8.75; the envelope system, $980.18; subscriptions, $233.23; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values) $70; Women's Guilds, $215.86; the Sunday school, $27.25. Total, $1,572.38.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $8.75; for the rector's salary, (paid to June 1, 1896), $900; for other salaries, $110; for insurance, $50; for repairs on the church and rectory, $376.03; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $55; for increase and improvement of Church property, $327.63; for the Sunday school, $22.92; by the Sunday school, for church improvements, $142.80.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,993.13.

For objects within the Diocese--Diocesan missions, $25; assessment of the convention, $32.98; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $16.47; services for deaf mutes, $5; by the Sunday school for Diocesan missions, $10.95; individual gifts to Diocesan missions, $20.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $110.40.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions and foreign missions, $12; Bible and Common Prayer book societies, $2.09; societies for the conversion of Jews, $1.25; Woman's Auxiliary, aid for domestic and foreign missions, $30; by the Sunday school, for domestic and foreign missions, $47.68; Woman's Auxiliary, pledge for domestic and foreign missions, $40; Seaman's society, $14; Armenian relief, $5.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $152.02.

Total of Disbursements, $2,235.55.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $5,500; rectory, $1,500. Salary of the rector, $900 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $3,000; rectory, $1,000; other property $1,000; total, $5,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free; 200.

Bishop's Address, page 60–86.

REMARKS.

The marked difference between the stated receipts and the disbursements is due to the fact that in the department of receipts there is no specified place for several items set forth as disbursements. There is also some repetition in the items of disbursements in "For objects within the parish," i.e., "repairs on church and rectory," and "the increase and improvement of church property," and "church improvements *by the S. School.*" In my report these three items are inclusive and repetitious.

St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, County of Calhoun, 1842.

The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D., Rector, (1894.)
George Willard, John Eyre Nelson, Dr. A. T. Metcalf, Lay Readers.
George Willard, Dr. A. T. Metcalf, Wardens.
F. C. Stillson, Secretary.
W. N. Gleason, Treasurer.
John Eyre Nelson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 190; adults, 460; children, 242; total, 702. Of these baptized persons, 690. Baptized during the year, infants, 23; adults, 15; to-

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tal, 38. Confirmed persons in the parish, 300; confirmed during the year, 30. Communicants last reported, 270; admitted 30; received, 6; total added, 36. Died, 3; removed, 3; dropped, 19; total lost, 25. Present number male, 72; female, 209; total, 281. Marriages, 8. Burials, 7. Public services, Sundays, 125; holy days, 80; week days, 42; total, 247. Holy Communion, public, 45; private, 16. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; teachers and officers, female, 15; total, 18. Pupils, male, 70; pupils, female, 90; total, 160; average attendance, 98. Catechising, number of times, monthly. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 165. Subscribers to Church Helper, 25. Names of Parochial societies: The Parish Aid Society, The Daughters of the King, The Sanctuary Guild, The Shakspere Club, The St. Andrew's Brotherhood, The Choir Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, 77c; from the offertory, $378.91; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $144.82; pew rents, $1,821.18; incidental indebtedness, $451 94; subscriptions, $160.82; individual gifts, $10.46; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $50; Women's Guilds, $59.05; the Sunday school, $78.05; other sources, $646.45. Total, $3,802.45.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $92.15; for the rector's salary, $1,800; for other salaries, $554.59; for insurance, $48; for repairs on the church and rectory, $2.50; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $354.76; paid on indebtedness, $451.94; by the Sunday school, for maintenance. $32.01.

Total for Parochial Objects, $3,335.95.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $125; assessment of the convention, $160.82; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $9.46; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $10; Bishop's Trust Fund, $12.01; Diocesan Church Building Fund, $14.50; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan missions, $25; Akeley Institute, $10.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $366.79.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, (The Board of Missions), $24.86; Indian missions, (The Board of Missions), $3.85; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $50; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $21.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $99.71.

Total of Disbursements, $3,802.45.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $20,000; chapel, $4,000; lot for parish house, $2,500; rectory, $3,000; total, $29,500. Missionary pledges, $13. Secured, $500. Salary of the rector, $1,800 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $11,000; rectory, $1,500; total, $12,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 400; of these, rented, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 69–86.

St. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids, County of Mecosta, 1873.

The Rev. Wm. E. Wright, Rector, (1893.)
E. P. Clark, Charles F. Stearns, Wardens.
Charles F. Stearns, Secretary.
E. P. Clark, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 25; adults, 140; children, 75; total, 215. Baptized during the year, infants, 12; total 12. Confirmed persons in the parish, 110; confirmed during the year, 5. Communicants last reported, 74; admitted, 3; total added, 3. Died, 1; removed, 6; total lost, 7. Present number male, 14; female, 56; total, 70. Marriages, 2. Burials, 8. Public services, Sun-

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days, 99; holy days, 49; week days, 40; total, 188. Holy Communion, public, 82. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 7; total, 8. Pupils, male, 20; pupils, female, 28; total 48; average attendance, 30. Catechising, number of times, 48. Number of volumes, 150. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid, St. Andrew's Guild, Altar Guild, Missionary Society.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, 46c; from the offertory, $114.57; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $8; the envelope system, $564.86; subscriptions, $13; Women's Guilds, $282.40; the Sunday school, $24.36; other sources, $250, loan on rectory; other sources, $49.65. Total, $1,307.30.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary (paid to March 19, 1896), $935.61; for other salaries, $151; for repairs on the church and rectory, $4.50; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $80.16; by the Sunday school, $18.57. Total for Parochial Objects, $1,189,84.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $7.26; assessment of the convention, $31.30; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $5.73; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2.36; Thanksgiving offering for Benevolent Societies, $3.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $49.65.

Total of Disbursements, $1,239.49.

Balance in hand $67.81.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500; rectory, $1,400. Indebtedness, floating, $250; (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $25.14; salary of the rector, $8co and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $1,400; rectory, $800; other property, $1,050; total, $3,250. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 130; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 87.

REMARKS.

The treasurer, by mistake, included $250 loan. The treasurer's report is from Easter to Easter.

St. Mark's Church, Coldwater, County of Branch, 1848.

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby, Rector, (1895.)
N. P. Loveridge, A. Milnes, Wardens.
S. T. Starr, Secretary.
E. R. Root, Treasurer.
H. P. Woodward, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families 96. Baptized during the year, infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Confirmed persons in the parish, 152; confirmed during the year, 10. Communicants last reported, 143; admitted, 10; received, 1; total added, 11. Removed, 2; total loss, 2. Present number male, 45; female, 107; total, 152. Marriages, 6. Burials, St. Mark's, 12. Public service, Sundays, 128; holy days, 17; week days, 43; total, 188. Holy Communion, public, 60. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 7; total, 10. Pupils, total, 80; average attendance, 48. Number of volumes, 345. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Parish Aid, St. Agatha's Guild, Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Have held Missionary Services in Quincy, times, 26; Albion, 1; Sturgis, 3; Y. M. C. A., 3.

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FINANCIAL REPORT—(Easter to Easter.)

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $15.73; from the offertory, $310.01; pew rents, $882. Total, $1,192.01.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $803.81; for insurance, $106; for repairs on the church and rectory, $103.07; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $129.10.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,141.98.

For objects within the diocese—Diocesan missions, $60; assessment of the convention, $73 73; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $4.29; services for deaf mutes, $4.09; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2.23; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan mission, $20; Akeley Institute Confirmation Fund, $5.75.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $170.09

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $7.50; societies for the conversion of Jews, $1.77; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $10. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $20.27.

Total of Disbursements, $1,332.34.

Balance in hand, $50.93.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $14,000; chapel, $2,700; total, $16,700. Indebtedness, floating, $325; missionary pledges, $5. Salary of the rector, $1,000 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $8,000; total $9,330. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 400; of these, free, 125.

Bishop's Address, page 86.

St. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids, County of Antrim, 1870.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Rector, (1893.)
H. B. Lewis, Lay Reader.
H. B. Lewis, J. Butler, Wardens.
R. W. Bagot, Secretary.
C. D. Towne, Treasurer.
H. B. Lewis, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 36; adults, 82; children, 39; total, 121. Of these, baptized persons, 102; baptized during the year, infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2. Confirmed persons in the parish, 63; confirmed during the year, 5. Communicants last reported, 64; admitted, 5; received, 1; total added, 6. Died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7. Present number, male, 20; female, 43; total, 63. Marriages, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 3; total, 4. Pupils, male, 15, pupils, female, 18; total, 33; average attendance, 20. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 25.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $44.96; from the offertory, $75.06; the envelope system, $548.90; Women's Guilds, $65.14; the Sunday school, $26 36; special offerings, $23.25. Total, $783.67.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, (paid to April 1, 1896), $566.66; for other salaries, $27.50; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $16.66; paid on indebtedness, $28.36; paid on indebtedness, interest, $8.50; for the Sunday school, $13.21.

Total for Parochial Objects, $660.89.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $20; assessment of

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the convention, $45.14; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $3.75; services for deaf mutes, $1.75; Bishop's Trust Fund, $10.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $80.64.

For objects exterior to the diocese—Domestic missions, $2.75; foreign missions, $3.75; general Clergy Relief Fund, $1.25; by the Sunday school, for domestic missions, $13.15.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $20.90.

Total of Disbursements, $762.43.

Balance in hand, $21.24.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $5,000; rectory, $1,000. Indebtedness, floating, $225.25; secured, $900. Salary of the rector, $800 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $2,500; rectory, $900; other property, $500; total, $3,900. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, $250; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page —.

St. John's Church, Grand Haven, County of Ottawa, 1866.

The Rev. L. C. Rogers, Rector, (1893.)
R. C. Duryea, Wm. Summers, Wardens.
E. Stanton Bliss, Secretary.
Charles Christmas, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 50; adults, 150; children 60; total, 210. Of these, baptized persons, 200; baptized during the year, infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Confirmed persons in the parish, 130; confirmed during the year, 4. Communicants last reported 123; admitted, 4; received, 12; total added, 16. Removed, 12; total lost, 12. Present number males, 45; females, 82; total, 127. Marriages, 2. Public services, Sundays, 150; holy days, 54; week days, 76; total, 280. Holy Communion, public, 93; private, 3 Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; teachers and officers, female, 5; total, 6; pupils, male, 20; pupils, female, 24; total, 44; average attendance, 30. Catechising, number of times, 25. Number of volumes S. S. library, 100. Subscribers to Church Helper, 16. Names of Parochial societies, Ladies' Guild, Woman's Auxiliary, Altar Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $251.11; subscriptions, $647.05; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $20; Women's Guilds, $183.43; the Sunday school $26.11; other sources, $61.42. Total, $1,189.12.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $790.38; for other salaries, $78.24; for repairs on the church and rectory, $24.97; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $96.62; interest on rectory debt, $55; for the Sunday school, $26.11. Total for Parochial Objects, $1,071.32.

For objects within the diocese—Diocesan missions, $40; assessment of the convention, $46.65; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $5.25; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.17. Total for Diocesan Objects, $96.07.

For objects exterior to the diocese—Societies for the conversion of Jews, $1.73; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $20.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $21.73.

Total of Disbursements, $1,189.12.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $6,000; chapel, $500; rectory, $1,200; total, $7,700. Indebtedness, floating, $264.74; secured, $750. Salary of the rector, $800 and rec-

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tcry. Insurance, on the church, $4.500; rectory, $750; total, $5,250. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 81-87.

St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1836.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, Rector, (1886).
W. R. Shelby, C. G. A. Voigt, Wardens.
Huntley Russell, Secretary.
Wm. J. Stuart, Treasurer.
Edwin F. Sweet, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 420; adults, 915; children, 425; total, 1,340. Of these, baptized persons, 1,280; baptized during the year, infants, 43; adults, 12; total, 55. Confirmed persons in the parish, about 800; confirmed during the year, 28. Communicants last reported 719; admitted, 25; received, 27; total added, 52. Died, 11; removed, 25; total lost, 36; total, 735. Marriages, 22. Burials, 31. Public services, Sundays, 321; holy days, 79; week days, 362; total, 762. Holy Communion, public, 101; private, 6. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 9; teachers and officers, female, 12; total 21. Catechising, weekly. Subscribers to Church Helper, 50. Names of Parochial societies: Choir, Sunday School, Bible Classes, Missions, Industrial Band, Helping Hand, Sewing School, Girls' Friendly, Ministering League, Woman's Missionary, Children's Missionary, Temperance Society, Band of Hope, Young Woman's Society, Twenty Minute Society, Maternite, St. Mark's Academy, Young Men's Society, "Junior Auxiliary Society," Food and Clothing Society, Young People's Meeting, "Pleasant Evenings," "Willing Workers," "Flower Guild," "Clergy Aid," "Pastor's Aid Ten." Have held missionary services several times in and around Grand Rapids, Byron, Dorr, Newaygo, and other places.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS

On hand from last year, $182.95; from the offertory, $2,299.05; alms at monthly Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $333.96; pew rents, $5,611.54; alms at early and week day celebrations, $79.86; for city and other charities, $2,300; individual gifts for debt, $2,017.25; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $412.06; district societies and designated, $1,625; the Sunday school, $150.78; other sources, $201.23.

Total, $15,213.68.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $333.06; for the rector's salary, $3,600; for other salaries, $1,685 73; for insurance, $131; for repairs on the church and rectory, $266.80; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, interest on debt, water, gas, postage, coal, commissions, discounts, sundries, $742.67; city objects, $227.70; paid on indebtedness, (amount due at last convention, $4,500), $2,000.

Total for Parochial Objects. $8,987.86.

For objects within the Diocesn—Diocesan missions, $500; assessment of the convention, $321.70; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $68; services for deaf mutes, $10; Woman's Auxiliary Bishop's Trust Fund, etc., $20; Bishop's Trust Fund, $24.74; specials, $54.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $998 44.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $20; domestic missions, $170.82; foreign missions, $73.75; specialr, $73.95; Clergy Aid Fund, $79.86; education for the ministry, $10; Bible and Common Prayer book societies, $5; society for conversion of Jews, $10; Armenians, $39

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Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $392.06; by the Sunday school, for missions, etc., $150.78. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $989 22.

Societief and Designated Objects, $1,625.00.

City and other Charities, $2,300.00.

Total of Disbursements, $14,900.52.

Balance in hand, $313.16.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church and chapel, $65,000; rectory, $12,000; total, $77,009. Indebtedness, floating, $1,000; secured, $1.500. Salary of the rector, $3,600 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $13,500; rectory. $2,000; other property, $2,000; total, $17,500. Capacity of the church and chapel buildings, whole number of sittings, 1,500; of these, free, 800; rented, 700.

Bishop's Address, pages 83, 84, 85, 86.

Grace Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1875.

The Rev. John Brewster Hubbs, Rector (1891).
Charles K. Seymour, Lay Reader.
Jacob Kleinhans, Wm. H. Raiguel, Wardens.
Eugene A. Hamilton, Secretary.
George E. Hardy, Treasurer.
George E. Luther, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 175. Baptized during the year, infants, 12; adults, 1; total, 13. Confirmed during the year, 7; Communicants last reported, 310; admitted, 7; total added, 7. Present number, male, 71; female, 246; total, 317. Marriages, 6; burials, 12. Public services, Sundays, 104; holy days, 26; week days, 120; total, 250. Holy Communion, public, 85; private, 4. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 6; female, 14; total, 20; pupils total, 230; average attendance, 145. Catechising, number of times, 42. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Names of Parochial societies: The Ladies' Society Circles Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, St. Mary's Guild, Woman's Auxiliary, Young Churchman's League, Brotherhood of S. Andrew. Have held missionary services in S. John's church, times, 68.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $514.49; the envelope system, $1,408.78; subscriptions, $5,826.00; Women's Guild's, $350; the Sunday school, $200. Total, $8,200.27.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary (paid to June), $1,500; for other salaries, $670; for insurance, $135; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $250; paid on indebtedness, $4,000; paid on interest account, $1,266.43; by the Sunday school, for its own work, $175.

Total for parochial objects, $7,996.43.

For objects within the diocese—Diocesan missions, $25; assessment of the Convention, $128.80; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $5.60; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the diocese, $2; Bishop's trust fund, $6.35.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $167.75.

For Objects Exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $3; by the Sunday school for general missions, $23.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $26.00.

Total of Disbursements, $8,190.18.

Balance in hand, $10.09.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $30,000; rectory, $6,000. Indebtedness, secured, $15,500. Salary of the rector, $1,500 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $14,000; rectory, $1,500; total, $15,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 600, all free.

Bishop's Address, pages 82–84.

St. Paul's Memorial Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1872.

The Rev. Edward M. Duff, Rector (1894).
Orr Schurtz, Lay Reader.
Thomas Brinton, Orr Schurtz, Wardens.
Manley Jones, Secretary.
Frank E. Donohue, Treasurer.
Wm. W. Eaton, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 70; adults, 147; children, 69; total, 216. Of these, baptized persons, 210. Baptized during the year, infants, 5; adults, 7; total, 12. Confirmed persons in the parish, 132; confirmed during the year, 24. Communicants, last reported, 93; admitted, 24; received, 20; total added, 44. Died, 1; removed, 4; dropped, 9; total lost, 14. Present number, male 30; female, 93; total, 123. Marriages, 8; burials, 7. Public services, Sundays, 144; holy days, 19; week days, 60; total, 223. Holy Communion, public, 71; private, 3. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male 5; female, 8; total, 13. Pupils, male, 30; female, 57; total, 87; average attendance, 72. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 300. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid Society, Ladies' Parish Guild, Young Churchmen's League, Band of Welcome. Have held missionary services in 9th ward, 4 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand last report, $59.10; the envelope system, $602.40; individual gifts, $48; Woman's Guilds, $226.30; Young Churchmen's League, $50.81; the Sunday school, $12; other sources, $3. Total, $1,001.61.

DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For rector's salary (paid to June 1st), $721; for other salaries, $95.60; for repairs on church and Guild house, $5.35; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $106 45.

Total for Parochial Objects, $928.40.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $3; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $3 60; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.80; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan missions, $12. Total for Diocesan Objects, $22.40.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—American Church Building Commission, on loan, $50.81.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $50.81.
Total of Disbursements, $1,001.61.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000; parish Guild house, $600; total, $3,600. Indebtedness floating, $331.80, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $252.80.) Secured,* $160. Salary of the rector, $800. Insurance, on the church, $2,100; other property, $400; total, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; all free.

Bishop's Address, pages 82–86.

*Mortgage secured by American Church Building Fund Commission; a $200 6 per cent. loan for five years from March 1, 1895.

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REMARKS.

The parish, whose constituency is for most part daily wage-earners, has felt peculiarly the stress of hard times.

Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1886.

Rev. Henry H. Johnston, Rector (1890).
William H. Tibbs. Charles Weller, Wardens.
Dwight Allen, Secretary.
Robert Teele, Treasurer.
Rev. H. H. Johnston, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 159; adults, 220; children, 35; total, 414. Baptized during the year, infants, 10; adults, 7; total, 17. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 263; confirmed during the year, 6. Communicants, last reported, 187; admitted 12; received, 4; total added, 16. Died, 2; removed, 3, total lost, 5. Present number, male, 82; female, 163; total, 245. Marriages, 27; burials, 11. Public services, Sundays, 123; holy days, 10; week days, 17; total, 150. Holy Communion, public, 63. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 7; total, 9; pupils, male, 62; female 101, total, 163; average attendance, 82. Catechising, number of times, 22. Names of Parochial Societies: Altar Gulld, Ladies' Guild, Young Men's Auxiliary, Young Ladies' Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $148.97; from the offertory, $287.65; the envelope system, $625.75; individual gifts, $15.50; Women's Guilds, $95; Children's Guilds, $1.80. Total, $1,174.67.

DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $795.19; for other salaries, $47; for insurance, $14; for repairs on the church and rectory, $19.80; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $293.63.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,169.62.

For Objects within the Diocese—Bishop's Trust Fund, $5.05.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $5.05.
Total of Disbursemnts, $1,174.67.
Balance in hand, $110.20.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $6,000. Indebtedness, floating, $1,500, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $246.79; missionary pledges, $118.25); salary of the rector, $800. Insurance on the church, $3,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 350, all free.

Bishop's Address, page 86.

Emmanuel Church, Hastings, County of Barry, 1863.

The Rev. W. W. Taylor, Rector (1892).
Henry A. Goodyear, D. G. Robinson, Wardens.
M. W. Riker, Secretary.
John F. Goodyear, Treasurer.
Mrs. D. G. Robinson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 106; adults, 184; children, 107; total, 291. Of these, baptized persons, 271. Baptized during the year, infants, 15; adults, 8; total, 23. Confirmed persons in the parish, 128; confirmed during the year, 9. Communicants, last reported, 115; admitted, 9; received, 4; total added, 13. Died, 2; removed 1; dropped, 1; total lost, 4. Present number male, 24; fe-

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male, 100; total, 124. Marriages, 4; burials, 11 Public services, Sundays, 150; holy days, 19; week days, 68; total, 237. Holy Communion, public, 50; private 2. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 13; total, 15; pupils, male, 50; pupils, female, 72; total. 122; average attendance, 65. Catechising, every Sunday. Subscribers to Church Helper, 30. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Society, Woman's Auxiliary, Junior Auxiliary, St. Agnes Guild, Christian Endeavor. Have held missionary services in Nashville once.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $268.02; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $47.47; the envelope system, $958.32; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $66.70; Women's Guilds, $552.19; the Sunday school, $73.31; other sources, $236.36. Total, $2,202.37.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish, alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $47 47; for the rector's salary, $880; for other salaries, $170.50; for repairs on the church and rectory, $33.75; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, 59 98; for the poor (special), $28.39; paid on indebtedness $777.10; for Sunday school, $7.51; by the Sunday school for its own support, $33.28.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,937.99.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $40; assessment of the convention, $61.11; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $6.47; services for deaf mutes, $3.96; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $13.70; Bishop's Trust Fund, $9.10; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan missions, $10. Total for Diocesan Objects, $148.32.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $18.05; foreign missions, $16.72; societies for the conversion of Jews, $3; general clergy relief fund, $3.98; American Church Building Fund Commission, $5; Woman's Auxiliary aid, $30; by the Sunday school, for domestic and foreign missions, $30.03; for Bishop Brooke (special), $9 28.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $116.06.

Total of Disbursements, $2,202.37.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $9,000; parish house, $2,000; total, $11,000. Indebtedness, floating $70; secured, $452.50. Salary of the rector, $950. Insurance, on the church, $3,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 300, all free.

Bishop's Address, pages 84-86.

REMARKS.

The church was consecrated December 1, 1895.

Grace Church, Holland, County of Ottawa, 1868.

Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Rector (January 1, 1896).
C. A. Stevenson, Lay Reader.
P. A. Latta, S. P. Lapish, Wardens.
A. R. Lewis, Secretary.
F. A. Remington, Treasurer.
F. A. Remington, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 40; adults, 45; children, 50; total, 135. Of these, baptized during the year, infants, 10; total, 10. Confirmed during the year, 2. Communicants, last reported, 40; admitted, 2; received, 2; total added, 4. Not found, 3; total lost, 3. Present number, male 12; female, 30; total,

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42. Marriages, 1; burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 42; holy days, 4; week days, 12; total, 58. Holy Communion, public 6 Sunday school teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 3; total, 7. Pupils, male, 12; female, 23; total 35; average attendance, 20.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $5.25; from offertory, $84.32; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $8.37; subscriptions, $205.75; individual gifts, $6; Women's Guilds, $78.65; the Sunday school, $38.25. Total, $426.59.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion not otherwise reported, $8.37; for rector's salary, paid to June 1, 1896, $278.50; for other salaries, $33; for repairs on church and rectory, $3.42; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $29.75; for hymnals for choir, $6; for the Sunday school, papers and lessons, $19; by the Sunday school for improvements, $5. Total for Parochial Objects, $383.04.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $11.80; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.77. Total for Diocesan Objects, $13.57.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Bible and common prayer book societies, $2; by the Sunday school for general missions, $14.25.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $16.25.

Total Disbursements, $412.86.

Balance in hand, $15.73.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500. Indebtedness, floating, $72, of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $72.82; missionary pledges, $2.31. Salary of the rector, $500. Insurance, on the church, $2,500. Total, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, all free.

Bishop's Address, page 84.

REMARKS.

The present rector assumed charge January 5, 1896. Since 1881 it has been a struggling parish without a rector; served from time to time by various clergymen. The church buildings, twice erected, have been twice consumed by fire. A third small edifice has been built by the faithful few without any assistance from abroad. The attempt to maintain a rector at this time is an experiment. The mass of the population is foreign in race and language. But the congregation has doubled in five months, and there are good hopes for the future.

Christ Church, Homer, County of Calhoun, 1841.

The Rectorship vacant.
N. D. Beedon, Lay Reader.
Jno. H. Masten, A. A. Garlinghouse, Wardens.
Levi B. Tompkins, Secretary.
Henry Martin, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 28; adults, 55; children, 20; total, 75. Of these, baptized persons, 75. Confirmed persons in the parish, 56. Died, 1; removed, 1; total lost; 2. Present number male, 25; female, 31; total, 56. Marriage, 1. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 60. Holy Communion, public, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 7; teachers and officers, female, 4; total 11; pupils, male, 12; female, 31; total, 43; average attendance, 35. Number of volumes, 100. Parochial societies, 2. Have held missionary services, times, 2.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $31.40; subscriptions, $87; Women's Guilds, $34.24.
Total, $152.64.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $27.99; for other salaries, $2 75; for insurance, $12; for repairs on the church and rectory, 50c; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $28.15: paid on indebtedness, $75. Total for Parochial Objects, $146.39.
Total of Disbursements, $146.39.
Balance in hand, $6.25.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000. Indebtedness, floating, $110.60; (of this due the Diocese on assessment, $22.20; missionary pledges, $25.94.) Insurance, on the church, $1,200; total, $1.200. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 70.

St. John's Church, Ionia, County of Ionia, 1842.

The Rev. W. H. Thomas, Rector, (1893.)
James Vosper, E. T. Montgomery. Wardens.
C. B. Wardle, Secretary.
O. Scott Wood, Treasurer.
W. H. Thomas, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 112; adults, 212; children, 90; total, 302. Of these, baptized persons, 216; baptized during the year, infants, 8; adults, 4; total, 12. Confirmed persons in the parish, 163; confirmed during the year, 14. Communicants last reported, 177; admitted, 14; received, 2; total added, 16. Died, 2; removed. 8; total lost, 10; present number, male, 46; female, 117; total; 163. Marriages. 9. Burials, 10. Public services, Sundays, 149; holy days, 13; week days, 61; total, 223. Holy Communion, public, 22. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 5; female, 11; total, 16. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Auxiliary, Ladies Aid, Christian Endeavor, Junior Endeavor, Altar Guild, Have held missionary services in Greenville, times, 5; Lyons, times, 5; Belding.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $55.05; from the offertory, $524.31; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $22.20; the envelope system, $1,352.71; individual gifts, $40; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $36.22; Women's Guilds, $410.94; Children's Guilds, $5; the Sunday school, $77.24; other sources, $7. Total, $2,530.67.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $22.20; for the rector's salary, $1,300; for other salaries, $143.83; for insurance, $10; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $246.77; the increase and improvement of church property, $47.69; paid on indebtedness, $350; Thanksgiving offering to the poor of the parish, $7.84; for the Sunday school, $39.15. Total for Parochial Objects, $2,167.48.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan mission pledge, $66 58; assessment of the convention, $89 91; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese Bishop Trust Fund, $5; Bishop's Trust Fund, $8.98; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan missionary pledge, $11.67; Akeley Institute, $33 20.

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Total for Diocesan Objects, $215.34.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Society for the Conversion of Jews, $2.61; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, Bishop Gillespie, scholarship, $5; E. E. Robinson, scholarship, $5; Dr. Cummings, scholarship, $5; for colored people, $5; total, $20; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $25.26; Women's Auxiliary, Mrs. Brierly memorial, $2; Women's Auxiliary, united offering, $8 40; Junior Auxiliary, Bishop Gillespie scholarship, $5.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $63.27.

Total of Disbursements, $2,446.09.

Balance in hand, $84.58.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $10,000; chapel, $500; total, $10,500. Indebtedness, floating, $810.75; missionary pledges, $20.75; salary of the rector, $1,300 to Easter, 1896; $1,500 from Easter Monday, 1896. Insurance, on the church, $5,000; other property, $2,500; total, $7,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 325; of these free, all. Bishop's Address, pages 82, 86, 87.

St Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, County of Kalamazoo, 1837.

The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne, Rector, (1892.)
Henry Brees, J. Davidson Burns, Wardens.
David Fisher, Secretary.
J. Davidson Burns, Treasurer.
Rev. Robert R. Claiborne, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 250; Baptized during the year, infants, 16; adults, 8; total 24. Confirmed during the year, 21. Communicants last reported, 446; admitted, 21; total added, 21. Died, 7; removed, 41; dropped, 14; total lost, 62. Present number male, 85; female, 320; total, 405. Marriages, 10. Burials, 25. Public services, Sundays, 160; holy days, 30; week days, 81; total, 271. Holy Communion, public, 70, private, 8. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 12; total, 15; pupils, total, 125; average attendance, 80. Catechising, number of times, 16. Names of Parochial Societies: St. Luke's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, general fund, $189.15; from the offertory $1,720.19; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $153.70; the envelope system, $2,917.49; subscriptions, $308.35; Women's Guilds, (including balance at last report),$1,215.51; income from investments $8.72; Sunday School, (including balance at last report),$123.49; other sources, $952.92.

Total, $7,589.50.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $153.70; for the rector's salary, (paid to June 1, 1896), $1800.00; for other salaries, $1,839.22; for insurance, $16; for repairs on church and rectory, $158.71; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $770.10; paid on indebtedness, principal and interest, (amount due at last convention, $2000.) $915 40; by the Sunday school, for periodicals, leaflets, etc., $71 80; Woman's Guild, for supplies, materials for work, etc., $342 95.

Total for Parochial Objects, $6,067.88.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $300; assessment of the convention, $218.55; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $44.04; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $102; Bishop's Trust Fund, $26.34; Akeley Institute, $14. Total for Diocesan Objects, $704 93.

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For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $25; foreign missions, $25; clergyman's family in another diocese, $17 93; Societies for the conversion of Jews, 19; Woman's Auxiliary, Aid, $24; by the Sunday school for General missions, $50.09.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $160.12.

Total of Disbursememts, $6,932.93.

Balance in hand, (General Fund, $371 17; Woman's Guild, $283.80; Sunday school, $160.) Total balance, $656 17.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $50,000; chapel, $800; Parish house, $37,000; rectory, $6,000; sexton's house, $2,000; investments, $297.43; total, $96,097.43. Indebtedness, floating, $2,050. Salary of the rector, $1,800 and rectory. Insurance on the church, $20,000; rectory, $2,000; parish house, $15,000; sexton's house, $1,000; chapel, $700; total, $38,700. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 700, of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 86.

Grace Church, Ludington, County of Mason, 1873.

The Rev. H. D. Chambers, Rector, 1895.
R. K. Johnson, Lay Reader.
R. K. Johnson, John Hounsell, Wardens.
Fayette Johnson, Secretary.
Joseph Williams, Treasurer.
R. K. Johnson, Superintendent of Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 53; adults, 78; children, 39; total, 117. Of these, baptized persons, 67; baptized during the year, infants, 14; adults, 4; total, 18; confirmed persons in the Parish, 76; confirmed during the year, 15. Communicants last reported, 61; admitted, 19; received, 6; total added, 25. Died, 2; removed, 10; not found, 20; dropped, 13; total lost, 45. Present number, male, 10; female, 58; total, 68. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3. Public services. Sundays, 100; holy days, 4; week days, 67; total, 171. Holy Communion, public, 8; private, 2. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 7; total, 9; pupils, male, 28; female, 35; total, 63; average attendance, 31. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 300. Subscribers to Church Helper, 12. Names of Parochial Societies; Ladies' Society, Woman's Auxiliary, Chancel Guild. Have held missionary services in Baldwin 4 times, and in Custer once.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $0.98; from the offertory, $62.22; the envelope system, $297.17; Women's Guild, $246.31; the Sunday school, $29.86; other sources, $55.74. Total, $692.38.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, (paid to April 15, 1896), $297.17; for other salaries, $31.50; for insurance, $10; for repairs on the church and rectory, $65. For all other expenses of parish maintenance, $66.28; the increase and improvement of Church property, $157.07; by the Sunday school, for supplies and expenses, $21.99.

Total for Parochial Objects, $649.01

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $5; assessment of the convention, $1.71; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5 02.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $11.73.

For objects exterior to to the Diocese—General missions, $5.90.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $5 90.

Total of Disbursements, $666.64.

Balance in hand, $25.74.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000; chapel, $1,200; total, $4,200. Indebtedness, floating, $41.71; secured, $500. Salary of the rector, $400. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; other property, $500; total, $2,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 87.

REMARKS.

The parish register was in bad shape when I took the parish, as were some of the other books. Therefore the report is not as I would like it.

Holy Trinity Church, Manistee, County of Manistee, 1888.

The Rev. Thomas Hines, Rector, (1891.)
Ellsworth S. Ellis, Thomas Smurthwaite, Wardens.
John L. Sweetnam, Secretary.
Ellsworth S. Ellis, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 80; Adults, 190; children, 280; total, 550. Of these, baptized persons. 550; baptized during the year, infants, 28; adults, 9; total, 37. Confirmed during the year, 24. Communicants, last reported, 160; admitted, 24; received, 18; total added, 42. Removed, 16; dropped, 6; total lost, 22. Present number, males, 65; females, 115; total, 180. Marriages, 7. Burials, 9. Public services, Sundays, 153; holy days, 46; week days, 97; total, 296. Holy Communion, public, 118; private, 7 Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 5; total, 9; pupils, male, 40; female, 50; total, 90; average attendance, 65. Catechising, number of times, 30. Number of volumes S. S. Library, 50. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Auxiliary, Church Club.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $4.75; from the offertory, $421.69; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $32.13; subscriptions, $848.04; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $130; the Sunday school, $36.69.

Total, $1,473.30.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $32.13; for the rector's salary, $810.95; for other salaries, $104.60; for insurance, $15; for repairs on church and rectory, $9.47; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $171.73; interest, $238.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,381.88.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $53.08: Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $13.44; Bishop's Trust Fund, $9.77.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $76 29.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Societies for the conversion of Jews, $4.44.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $4.44.

Total of Disbursements, $1,462.61.

Balance in hand, $10.69.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $9,000; rectory, $1,400; total, $10,400. Indebtedness, floating, $200; missionary pledges, $20; secured, $4,000. Salary of the rector, $850 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; rectory, $1,000; total, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 86.

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Trinity Church, Marshall, County of Calhoun, 1834.

Rev. Sidney Beckwith, Rector (1894).
James M. Parsons, George Perrett, Wardens.
W. J. Dibble, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 100. Baptized during the year, infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8. Confirmed during the year, 17. Communicants, last reported, 160; admitted, 17; received, 2; total added, 19. Died, 3; removed 5; suspended, 5; total lost, 13. Present number male and female, 164. Marriages, 6; burials, 12. Public services, Sundays, 116; holy days, 5; week days, 58; total, 179. Holy Communion, public, 30; private, 2. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 9; total, 13. Pupils, male, 35; female, 65; total, 100. Name of Parochial society: Church Aid Society.

FINANCIAL REPORT—(Easter 1895 to Easter 1896.)

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $750; from the offertory, $233.24; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $21.35; the envelope system, $1,274 22; subscriptions, $6.20; individual gifts, $10; income from investments, $375.15; the Sunday school, $136.09; other sources, $53.33 Total, $2,859 58.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $21.35; for rector's salary, paid to May 1, 1896, $999.95; for other salaries, $164 96; poor of parish, $18.70; for repairs on church and rectory, $12; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $174.19; invested on mortgage, $475; by the Sunday school, for its own expenses, $41.96.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,928.12.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $96.10; assessment of the convention, $73.94; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $24.13; by the Sunday school, Bishop's penny fund, $10; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, $1.27. Total for Diocesan Objects, $205.44.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $50.10; missions for colored people, $3; Armenian sufferers, $8.60; by the Sunday school for Gillespie Scholarship, $5; Cumming's school, $5; Chinese orphanage, $3; orphanage Cape Palmas, $20; general missions, $52.35.

Total for Objects exterior to the Diocese, $157.05.

Total of Disbursements, $2 270.61.

Balance in hand, $588.97.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $12,000, rectory, $3,400; investments, $6,495.46; total, $21,895.46. Indebtedness, floating, none. Salary of rector, $1,000 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $8,500; rectory, $2,600; other property, $200; total, $11,300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 450, all free.

Bishop's Address, page 86.

St. Paul's Church, Mendon, County of St. Joseph.

The Rev. C. R. Taylor, Rector, (1895)
E. N. King. (P. O. Leonidas), G. W. Hall, Wardens.
I. J. McClellan, Secretary.
C. L. Hasbrouck, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 27; adults, 62; children, 20; total, 82. Of these, baptized persons, 41; baptized during the year, infants, 3; adults, 7; total, 10. Confirmed persons in the parish, 28; confirmed during the year, 9. Com-

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municants last reported, 15; admitted, 9; received, 1; total added, 10. Present number male, 8; female, 17; total, 25. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 30; holy days, 1; week days, 3; total, 34. Holy Communion, public, 1; private, 2. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Name of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the Offertory, $30.97: subscriptions, $157.90; Women's Guilds, $7.05.
Total, $195.92.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $1.11; for the rector's salary, (paid to C. R. Taylor), $50; for repairs on the church and rectory, $114.95; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $26.71. Total for Parochial Objects, $192.77.

For objects within the Diocese—Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.11.
Total for Diocesan Objects, $3.11.
Total of Disbursements, $195.88.
Balance in hand, 4c.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,000; total, $1,000. Salary of the rector, $120. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.
Bishop's Address, page 86.

REMARKS.

Report of services is very incomplete.

St. Paul's Church, Muskegon, County of Muskegon, 1867.

The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, Rector, (1891.)
Elbridge G. Rote, Wm. K. Gordon, Wardens.
Hugh Park, Secretary.
Albert Waldron, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 122; adults, 319; children, 196; total, 515. Of these baptized persons, 423. Baptized during the year, infants, 18; adults, 7; total, 25. Confirmed persons in the parish, 217; confirmed during the year, 9. Communicants last reported, 202; admitted, 9; received, 7; total added, 16; removed, 10; total lost, 10. Present number male, 59; female, 149; total, 208. Marriages, 6. Burials, 7. Public services, Sundays, 144; holy days, 38; week days, 47; total, 229. Holy Communion, public, 71; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 6; total, 9; pupils, male, 43; female, 84; total, 127; average attendance, 63. Catechising, number of times, 41. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Society, St. Andrew's Brotherhood, Altar Guild, Sewing School Guild. Have held held missionary services 123 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $197.04; from the offertory, $449.64; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $49.59; pew rents, $1,326.16; individual gifts $371.78; Women's Guilds, $898.65; Altar Guilds, $31.69; income from investments, $193; the Sunday school, $43.99. Sewing Guild, $18.74.
Total, $3,580.28.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $37.97; for the rector's salary, $1,228.77; for other salaries, $420.70; for insurance, $36; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $905.62; paid on indebtedness, $571.78; Sewing School, $11.35; for the Sunday school, $9.94; by the Sunday school, for itself, $40.08.

Total for Parochial Objects, $3,262.21.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $120; assessment of the convention, $80.35; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $5.60; Bishop's Trust Fund, $6.20. Total for Diocesan Objects, $212.15.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $3; foreign missions. $5.33; Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies, $5; societies for the conversion of Jews, $2.46. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $15.79.

Total of disbursements, $3,490.15.

Balance in hand, $90 13.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $60,000. Real estate, $6,000; total, $66,000. Indebtedness, floating, $224; secured, $27,000; salary of the rector, $1,350 and rectory. Insurance on the church $10,000; rectory, $5,000; other property, $3,700; total; $18,700. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 750, of these, free, 400; rented, 350. Bishop's Address, pages 83–85.

Trinity Church, Niles, County of Berrien, 1834.

The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, Rector, 1889.
Dr. J. H. Richardson. Lewis Hyde Beeson, Wardens.
Lewis Hyde Beeson, Secretary.
Wm. Hutton, Treasurer.
Lewis Hyde Beeson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 141; adults, 269; children, 137; total, 406. Of these, baptized during the year, infants, 15; adults, 5; total, 20. Confirmed persons in the parish, 255; confirmed during the year, 19. Communicants, last reported, 250; admitted, 19; received, 1; total added, 20. Died, 7; removed, 4; not found, 4; total lost, 15. Present number, male, 75; female, 180; total, 255. Marriages, 8. Burials, 16. Public services, Sundays, 96; holy days, 16; week days, 80; total 192. Holy Communion, public, 66; private, 12. Sunday school, officers, male, 3; female, 10; total, 13; pupils, male, 50; female, 90; total, 140; average attendance, 100. Catechising, number of times, 25. Subscribers to Church Helper, 12. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild, Daughters of the King, St. Mary's Guild, St. Margaret's Guild; St. Elizabeth's Guild, St. Martin's Guild, Altar Guild, Woman's Auxiliary, St. Andrew's Brotherhood. Have held missionary services in Cassopolis.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $34 08; from the offertory, $273.75; pew rents, $631.06; Women's Guilds, $601. 43; Children's Guilds, $79.77; from other sources, $340.05. Total, $1,960.14.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $1,188.39; for other salaries, $247 62; for insurance, $54; for repairs on church and rectory, $10.30; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $143.33.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,643.64.

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For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $18.55; assessment of the convention, $145.43; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $16; Bishop's Trust Fund, $7.06; by the Sunday school, for Diocesan missions, $65; Akeley Institute, $7. Total for Diocesan Objects, $259.04.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $22.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $22.00

Total of Disbursements, $1,924.68.

Balance in hand, $35.46.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $15,000; rectory, $3,000 total, $18.000. Indebtedness, (due the Diocese on assessment, $75.79). Salary of the rector, $1,200 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $5,000; rectory, 2,000; other property, $1,000; total, $8,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 500; of these, free, 225; rented, 275.

Bishop's Address, page 86.

All Saints' Church, Saugatuck, County of Allegan, 1868.

Rectorship Vacant.

A. B. Taylor, John Priest, Wardens.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000. Insurance, on the church, $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page —.

REMARKS.

No services have been held during the year. The church needs extensive repairs.

Trinity Church, Saranac, County of Ionia, 1860.

No report. The property still remains.

Grace Church, Traverse City, County of Grand Traverse, 1877.

The Rev. Albert E. Wells, Rector, 1892.

Elvin L. Sprague, Wm. D. Turner, Wardens.

Harry C. Davis, Secretary.

Geo. B. Blue, Treasurer.

Rev. Albert E. Wells, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 28; adults, 83; children, 35; total, 118. Of these, baptized persons, 100. Baptized during the year, infants, 8; adults, 1; total, 9. Confirmed persons in the parish, 52; confirmed during the year, 5. Communicants, last reported, 38; admitted, 5; received, 3; total added, 8. Died, 1; removed, 5; total lost, 6. Present number, male, 4; female, 36; total, 40. Marriages, 2; burials, 6. Public services, Sundays, 121; holy days, 10; week days, 8; total, 139. Holy Communion, public, 23; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 2; total, 3. Pupils, male, 4; female, 10; total, 14; average attendance, 10. Catechising, number of times, 5. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 200. Names of Parochial societies: Grace Church branch of the Women's Auxiliary, Willing Workers. Have held missionary services in Central Lake 10 times, Sherman, 2 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $308.24. Women's Guilds, $107. Total, $415.24.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For Objects within the Parish—For the rector's salary, $312.24; for other salaries, $25. For insurance, $10. For all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $14.

Total for Parochial Objects, $361.24.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $18; assessment of the convention, $18; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $3.30; Bishop Trust Fund, $3. Total for Diocesan Objects, $42.30.

For Objects Exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $8

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $8.00.

Total of Disbursements, $371.54.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000; lot, $1,200. Indebtedness, floating, $202.19; of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $199.49; missionary pledges, $11.70. Salary of the rector, the offertory. Insurance, on the church, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150, all free.

Bishop's Address, page 85.

REMARKS.

The Willing Workers have $58 on hand for windows to give more light in the church, in the improvements that are in contemplation. The Parish branch of the Woman's Auxiliary is fairly started and has some things in hand towards a box to go where needed. (See Spirit of Missions, treasurer's report, for figures.)

Grace Church, Union City, County of Branch, 1864.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
T. Baker, M. D., George Styles, Wardens.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults and children, 27; total, 37. Of these, baptized persons, 25; baptized during the year, adult, 1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 21; confirmed during the year, 2. Communicants last reported, 18; admitted, 2; received, 1; total added, 3; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2. Present number male, 3; female, 16; total, 19. Public services, Sundays, 6. Holy Communion, public, 3; private, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

Total Receipts, $23.20.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Expenses of clerical service, special, $1 80.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1.80.

For objects within the Diocese--Diocesan missions, $13.40; Bishop's Trust Fund, $8. Total for Diocesan Objects, $21.40.

Total of Disbursements, $23.20.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,800. Due the Diocese on assessment, $49.28. Insurance, on the church, $1,500.

Bishop's Address, page 85.

REMARKS.

See report of Rev. J. W. Bancroft General Missionary.

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ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

St. Matthew's Church, Baldwin, County of Lake, 1879.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894.)
Mr. A. J. Matthews, in charge of property.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 6; adults, 14; children, 10; total, 24. Of these, baptized persons, 18; baptized during the year, children, 12. Confirmed persons in the parish, 8. Communicants, last reported, 7. Public services, Sundays, 3; week days, 4; total 7. Holy Communion, public, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $8. Total, $8.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $1.17.
Total for Parochial Objects, $1.17.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $4.73; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2.10; total, $6.83. Total for Diocesan Objects, $6.83.
Total of Disbursements, $8.00.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $400; rectory, $200; investments, $100; total, $700.

Bishop's Address, page 83.

REMARKS.

The number of members is taken from last report. While two Congregational ministers are contending for first place in the town, little can be done by us. The church should be put in good repair and made comfortable for winter use. Rev. Mr. Chambers aids the General Missionary, and Rev. Mr. Gallagher of Saginaw, is responsible for some of the baptisms.

Holy Trinity Church, Benton Harbor, County of Berrien, 1882.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, M., Rector, 1892.
Clarence Heath, Warden.
Mrs. D. C. Morrison, Secretary.
James Pound, Treasurer.
M. S. Woodruff, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 41; adults, 103; children, 47; total, 150. Of these, baptized persons, 146; baptized during the year, infants, 5; adults, 3; total, 8. Confirmed persons in the parish, 71; confirmed during the year, 4. Communicants, last reported, 101; admitted, 4; received, 2; total added, 6. Died, 5; removed, 13; total lost, 18. Present number, male, 19; female, 42; total, 61. Marriages, 3. Burials, 5. Public services, Sundays, 102; holy days, 7; week days, 42; total, 151. Holy Communion, public, 15; private, 3. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4; total, 5;

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pupils, male, 15, female, 22; total, 37; average attendance, 30. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 200. Names of Parochial Societies: Guild of The Holy Trinity, Altar Guild, Boys' Department of Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $37.94; from the offertory, $147 42; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $23.33; subscriptions, $258.40; individual gifts, $53.60; Women's Guilds, $144.93; the Sunday school, $15.85. Total, $681.47.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $23.33; for the rector's salary, $460; for other salaries, janitor, $52: for repairs on the church, $10; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $13.35; Parochial Endowment Fund, $1.62; by the Sunday school, $2.07. Total, $562.37. Total for Parochial Objects, $562.37.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10; Assessment of the convention, $27.22; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.32; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5.21; Akeley Institute, Confirmees Fund, $1.50.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $46.25.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2.50; foreign missions, $2.25; societies for the conversion of Jews, $0.46; by the Sunday school, for General missions, $4.12.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $9.33.

Total of Disbursements, $617.95.

Balance in hand, $63.52.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500. Salary of the rector, $600. Insurance, on the church ,$1,300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 84-87.

REMARKS.

The organization of S. Paul's Mission, St. Joseph, as a separate Mission, reduces the number of communicants formerly embodied in this report. Organ and other funds, $53.60; Sunday school, $9.66; balance in treasury, $0.26. Total of Funds for this and previous years, $133.60.

St. James' Mission Church, Cassopolis, County of Cass, 1891.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
Willis D. Hopkins, Warden.
Mrs. E. D. Bennett, Seeretary.
John B. Boyd, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, and parts, 12; adults, 17; children, 10; total, 27. Of these, baptized persons, 24; baptized during the year, infants, 2. Confirmed persons in the parish, 20; confirmed during the year, 2. Communicants, last reported, 15; admitted, 2; received, 1; total, added, 3. Removed, 3; total lost, 3. Present number, male, 3; female, 12; total, 15. Public services, Sundays, 6; week days, 2; Subscribers to Church Helper, 4.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $5.83; Women's Guild, $4.14. Total, $9 97.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $2.19; assessment of the convention, $4.14; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2.09.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $8 42.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $1.55.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $1.55.

Total of Disbursements, $9 97.

Ladies' Guild, balance in hand, $106.00.

(Indebtedness—Missionary pledges, $3.67.)

Bishop's Address' page 82.

REMARKS.

The Bishop has requested the Rector of Niles to take charge of this Mission, and has his consent.

St. Matthias' Church, Central Lake, County of Antrim, 1893.

A. W. Foy, M. D., Warden.
Samuel Crampton, Secretary.
Nelson Updegrove, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 50; children, 10; total, 70. Of these, baptized persons, 25; baptized during the year, infants, 5; total, 5. Confirmed persons in the parish, 12. Communicants, last reported, 14; received 1; total added, 1. Removed 3; total lost 3. Present number, male ,4; female, 8; total, 12. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 4; week days, 15; total, 19. Holy Communion, public, 3; Sunday school, teachers and officers, total, 5; pupils, total, 25.

RECEIPTS—(No Report).

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $800. Indebtedness, (the Diocese on assessment, $3.15; secured, $300. Insurance, on the church, $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 75; of these free, all.

Bishop's address, page—

REMARKS.

The church has been much improved during the year. Some seats were loaned by the vestry of S. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids. The Rev. A. E. Wells, of Traverse City, has held service since the illness of the missionary in charge, which is not included in the above.—[Secretary.]

Christ Church, Charlevoix, County of Charlevoix, 1887.

E. H. Green, Warden.
E. H. Green, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families 20; adults, 31; children, 49; total, 80. Baptized during the year, infants, 7; total, 7. Confirmed persons in the parish, 37. Communicants, last reported, 36; admitted, 1; total added, 1. Removed, 1; total lost, 1. Present number, male, 8; female, 29; total, 37. Public services, Sundays, 12; week days, 1; total 13. Holy Communion, public, 4. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4: total, 5. Pupils, male, 15; female, 31; total, 46; average attendance, 31. Name of Parochial society: Ladies' Guild.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $81.61; the Sunday school, $32.69; total, $114.30.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For insurance, $19; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $19.29; for the Sunday school, $26.57.

Total for Parochial Objects, $64.86.

For objects within the diocese—Diocesan missions, $25.41; assessment of the Convention, $3.84; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $32.25.

For Objects Exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2; foreign missions, $2; Bible and Common Prayer Book societies, $7 07; by the Sunday school for missions, $6.12.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $17.19.

Total of Disbursements, $114 30.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500. Indebtedness, due the Diocese on assessment, $1.28. Insurance on the church, $1,000.

Bishop's Address, pages 82-86.

REMARKS.

Summer services are held by the Bishop and visiting clergymen. The church is unfinished but can be used in warm weather.

Grace Church, Charlotte, County of Eaton, 1888.

Rectorship vacant.
O. E. Packard, Warden.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 43; adults, 92; children, 50; total 142. Of these, baptized persons, 104; baptized during the year, infants, 2. Confirmed persons in the parish, 75. Present number in the parish, male, 23; female, 45; total, 68.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

Individual gifts, $10. Total, $10.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Diocese—Akeley Institute, $10.

Total of Disbursements, $10.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3.500. Insurance, on the church, $1,600; other property, $600; total, $2,200.

Bishop's Address, page 85.

Epiphany Church, Coopersville, County of Kent, 1877.

The Rev. L. C. Rogers, in charge.

CLERICAL REPORT.

[No report.]

FINANCIAL REPORT.

[No report.]

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $300.

Bishop's Address, pages —.

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REMARKS.

No services during the year. The building needs a foundation and is very shabby. Scarcely any church people are left.

Church of the Redeemer, East Jordan, County of Charlevoix, 1887

Chas. H. Whittington, Warden.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 14; adults, 44; children, 16. Of these, baptized persons, 45. Confirmed persons in the parish, 24. Communicants, last reported, 24. Received, 3; died, 3. Present number 24; burials, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $12.76; from the offertory, $13.88; subscriptions, $20.75; individual gifts, $4.95; Women's Guilds, $25.20. Total, $77.54.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For treasurer Board of Missions, $12.75; for insurance, $10; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $12.98; the increase and improvement of church property, $4.95; paid on indebtedness, $21.20. Total for parochial objects, $61 88.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $3.90; Bishop Trust Fund, $1. Total for Diocesan objects, $4.90.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $1.40.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.40.

Total of Disbursements, $68.18.

Balance in hand, $9.36.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500. Indebtedness, floating, $140; due the Diocese on missionary pledges, $2.25. Insurance, on the church, $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 100, all free.

Bishop's Address, page 82.

St. John's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1892.

The Rev. John Brewster Hubbs, Rector. (1891.)
The Rev. A. Reeves, Assistant Minister.
Wilbur W. Smith, Warden.
William A. Morse, Secretary.
George Patterson, Treasurer.
Wilbur W. Smith, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 30. Baptized during the year, infants, 8; adults 3; total, 11. Confirmed during the year, 3. Communicants, last reported, 25; received, 2; total added, 2. Present number of males, 8; females, 19; total, 27. Public services, Sundays, 100; week days, 20; total, 120. Holy Communion, public, 15. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 13; total, 16. Pupils, total, 95; average attendance, 65. Names of parochial societies: Ladies' Society, Men's Society, Altar Guild, Young Churchmen's League.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $70; the envelope system, $40; Women's Guilds, $238.50; the Sunday school, $60. Total, $408.50.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For rector's salary (paid to June 1st), $75; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $12; paid on indebtedness, $100; paid on interest account, $138.50; by the Sunday school for its own work, $60. Total for Parochial Objects, $385.50.

For objects within the diocese—Assessment of the Convention, $9; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.03. Total for Diocesan Objects, $10.03.

Total of Disbursements, $395.53.

Balance in hand, $12.91.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $4,000. Indebtedness, due the Diocese on assessment, $14.84; secured, $2,550. Salary of assistant, $75. Insurance, on the church, $2,300. Capacity of church building, whole number of sittings, 250, all free.

Bishop's Address, pages 85–87.

REMARKS.

The Rev. A. Reeves, M. D., officiates in the morning, and Rev. J. B. Hubbs in the afternoon.

St. Matthew's Mission, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1892.

M. C. Burch, Lay Reader.
William H. Meech, Warden.
William Booth, Secretary.
James Ellis, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 19; adults, 40; children, 14; total, 54. Baptized during the year, infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Confirmed persons in the parish, 25. Communicants last reported, 30. Died, 2; removed, 6; total lost, 8. Present number male, 14; female, 40; total 54. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 49; week days, 9; total, 58. Holy Communion, public, 2. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 8; total, 9. Pupils, male, 27; female, 48; total, 75; average attendance, 50. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2. Names of Parochial Societies: Helping Hand, St. Matthew's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $36 67; from the offertory, $25.67; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $2.24; the envelope system, $51.15; individual gifts, $3; Women's Guilds, $41.35; the Sunday school, $27.66; other sources, $36.35. Total, $224 29.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion not otherwise reported, $0.50; for other salaries, $1.00; for insurance, $30.00; for repairs on the church and rectory, $1.25; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $31.71; grading tax on street, $40.24.

Total for Parochial Objects, $104 70.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $11.32.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $11.32.

Total of Disbursements, $116.02.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000. Indebtedness, floating, $1,320; secured, $1,300. Insurance, on the church $1,500; total, $1,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, 150.

Bishop's Address, page 83.

REMARKS.

Mr. M. S. Burch has for three years most faithfully officiated at morning service. He now resigns, and clerical services will be held.

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St. Beda's Deaf Mute Mission, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1893.

The Rev. Austin W. Mann, Rector and General Missionary.
John E. Nash, Lay Reader.
Fred. Lawrason, Warden.
Mrs. Margaret L. Gumaer, Secretary.
Mrs. Lucy Lawrason, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 9; adults, 25; children, 20; total 45. Of these, baptized persons, 41; baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the parish, 15; confirmed during the year, 3. Communicants last reported, 12; admitted, 2; received, 3; total added, 5. Died, 2; total lost, 2, Present number male, 8; female, 7; total, 15. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 41; week days, 27; total, 68. Holy Communion, public, 3 Subscribers to Church Helper, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $3.51; from the offertory, $12 98; other sources, $1.75. Total, $18.24.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Expenses of parish maintenance, $1.93.
Total for Parochial Objects, $1 93.
For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $ .98.
Total for Diocesan objects. $ .98.
Total of Disbursements, $2.91.
Balance in hand, $15.33.
Bishop's Address, page 86.

REMARKS.

The Mission holds services in a room in St. Mark's church, for the use of which we thank Dr. Fair and the Vestry; also to Dr. Fair for his kindness in officiating at funerals of two of our members.
See the report of the Rev. A. W. Mann.

St. Paul's Church, Greenville, County of Montcalm, 1881.

John Avery, Warden.
Percy Selous, Secretary
Jno. Lewis, Treasurer.
Jno. Lewis, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 23; adults, 49; children, 33; total, 82. Of these, baptized persons, 82; baptized during the year, infants, 5; total, 5. Confirmed persons in the parish, 55. Communicants last reported, 39; received, 3; total added, 3. Died, 1; total lost, 1. Present number male, 15; female, 35; total, 50. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 14; week days, 10; total, 24. Holy Communion, public, 2; private. 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 5; total, 7. Pupils, male, 11; female, 21; tota', 32; average attendance, 16. Number of volumes, Sunday School Library, 200. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10 Names of Parochial societies: Woman's Guild, Young People's Aid and Social Guild, Young People's Church Endeavor.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $7 84; from the offertory, $47.42; subscriptions, $157.65; Women's Guilds, $38 55; the Sunday school, $23.70.
Total, $275.16.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish--For the Rector's salary, (paid to visiting clergy), $111.42; for other salaries, $27.85; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $91 48; for the Sunday school, $16 15.
Total for Parochial Objects, $246 90.
For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, (arrears paid, $20.11,) $20.11. Total for Diocesan Objects, $20.11.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday school for general missions, $7.49. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $7 49.
Total of Disbursements, $274.50.
Balance in hand, $ .66.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500; total, $1,500. Indebtedness, floating, $29 56; (of this, due the Diocese, on assessment, $20.11). Insurance—on the church, $1,000; total, $1,000. Capacity of the church building—whole number of sittings, 170; of these, free, all. Bishop's Address, page 87.

REMARKS.

There have been no regular Sunday services during the year. Sunday school has been held every Sunday at noon, and Young People's Church Endeavor, (unorganized) every Sunday evening, with an average attendance of 20 or over.

St John's, Church, Harbor Springs, County of Emmet, 1883.

The Rt. Rev. D. S. Tuttle, D. D., in charge during the summer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Baptized during the year, infants, 1. Present number, male, 1; female, 4; total, 5. Public services, Sundays, 8. Holy Communion, public, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $81.66; individual gifts, $23.10. Total, $104.76

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Clerical service, $40; for all other expenses of parish maintenance $20,85; the increase and improvement of church property, $43.91. Total for Parochial Objects, $104.76.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000. Insurance, on the church. $2,000.

Bishop's Address, page—

REMARKS.

The sidewalk about the church was ordered by the village corporation. I enclose vouchers for all but the $1 paid Foster and Buckle. I enclose also check for $9.90, balance of my earnings at St. John's this summer, and beg you to use it just as you think best or need most. It is a great pleasure to us to have the little church to worship in for the summer.—Daniel S. Tuttle.

Christ's Church, Luther, County of Lake, 1896.

The Rev. Woodford P Law, Missionary, (1894.)
William C. Vincent, Warden.
Fred Barghorn, Secretary.
J. S. Sterling, Treasurer.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 27; children, 17; total, 44. Of these, baptized persons, 30; baptized during the year, 1. Confirmed during the year, 2. Cummunicants, last reported, 17; admitted, 2; received, 1; total added, 3. Present number, total, 20. Public services, Sundays, 12; week days, 3; total, 15. Holy Communion, public, 4. Catechising, number of times, 4.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $6.13; from the offertory, $12.59; the envelope system, $25; subscriptions, $22; Women's Guilds, $13.57. Total, $79 29.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For repairs on the church, $20.65; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $13.92; for the Sunday school, $2.
Total for Parochial Objects, $35.57.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10.59; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1. Total for Diocesan Objects, $11.59.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $1.
Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $1.
Total of Disbursements, $48.16.
Balance in hand, $31.13.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $150. Indebtedness, floating, $7. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 75; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 83.

REMARKS.

The chapel has been moved to the main street, and there is some money in hand towards enlargement and improvement. More frequent services should be held to meet the demand of those who are not now members of the church.

Church of The Nativity, Mancelona, County of Antrim, 1896.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894)
E. L. Stewart, Warden.
Edward Kemp, Secretary and Treasurer.
Miss Boorman, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 14; adults, 30; children, 15; total, 45. Of these, baptized persons, 40; baptized during the year, infants, 4, adults, 5; total, 9. Confirmed persons in the parish, 15; confirmed during the year, 5. Communicants, last reported, 7; admitted, 5; received, 2; total added, 7. Present number, male, 4; female, 10; total, 14. Public Services, Sundays, 8; week days, 5; total, 13. Holy Communion, public, 4. Sunday school, teachers and officers, female 2; pupils, 15. Catechising, number of times, 4 Subscribers to Church Helper, 1. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $41.35; individual gifts, $15.30; the Sunday school, $13.47. Total $70.22.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For all other expenses of parish maintenance, $2; for hall and organ rent, $13; for the Sunday school, $1.50.
Total for Parochial Objects, $16.50.

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For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $36.40; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.35; Akeley Institute, $0.50.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $40.25.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday school, for General missions, $13.47.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $13.47.

Total of Disbursements, $70.22.

Bishop's Address, page 81.

St. Luke's Church, Muskegon, County of Muskegon, 1890.

The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, Rector. (1893)
Alfred Bullock, Lay Reader.
Alfred Bullock, Warden.
Miss Pearl Decker, Secretary.
Mrs. Adam Pyle, Treasurer.
Alfred Bullock, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 26; adults, 59; children, 71; total, 140. Of these, baptized persons, 99; baptized during the year, infants, 7; total, 7. Confirmed persons in the parish, 40. Communicants, last reported, 35; received, 2; total added, 2. Removed, 3; total lost 3. Present number male, 9; female, 25; total, 34. Burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 64; holy days, 4; week days, 55; total, 123. Holy Communion, public, 14. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 7; total, 9. Pupils, male, 33; female, 46; total, 79; average attendance, 41. Catechising, number of times, 12. Names of parochial societies: Young People's Society, Women's Society, Literary Society, Choir Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $7.54; from the offertory, $14.41; the envelope system, 12.91; individual gifts, $25; Women's Guilds, $65.62; Children's Guilds, $8; the Sunday school, $16.32. Total, $149 80.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For other salaries, $27; for insurance, $5; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $59.72; paid on indebtedness, (am't due at last convention, $300) $25.

Total for Parochial Objects, $116.72.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $12.50; assessment of the Convention, $3.36; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $16 86.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday school, for foreign missions, $6.53. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $6.53.

Total of Disbursements, $140.11.

Balance in hand, $9.69.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500. Indebtedness secured, $275. Insurance, on the church, $400; total, $400. Capacity of church building, whole number of sittings, 125, all free. Bishop's Address, page 85.

REMARKS.

Services are held by the Rector of S. Paul's every Sunday afternoon.

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St. John's Church, Mt. Pleasant, County of Isabella, 1886.

The Rev. William Westover, M. (1893.)
John C. English, Warden.
Thomas Gunnell, Secretary.
Miss Mae Kimball, Treasurer.
Rev. William Westover, Superintendent of the Sunday school.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 44; adults, 76; children, 73; total, 149. Of these, baptized persons, 130; baptized during the year, infants, 8; adults, 4; total, 12. Confirmed persons in the parish, 68. Communicants, last reported,, 63; admitted, 4; received, 2; total added, 6. Died, 1; removed 3; not found, 1; dropped, 2; total lost, 7. Present number, male, 7; female 60; total, 67. Marriages, 4; burials, 4. Public services, Sundays, 96; holy days, 32; week days, 25; total, 153. Holy Communion, public 20; private, 5. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 8; total, 9. Pupils male, 30; female, 32; total, 62. Catechising, number of times, 40. Subscribers to Church Helper, 7. Name of parochial society: Ladies' Guild. Have held missionary services in Clare once.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $59.65; the envelope system, $448.49; individual gifts, $5.40; Women's Guilds, $128.50; the Sunday school, $19.55; other sources, $16.
Total, $677.59.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the rector's salary, $448.49; for other salaries, $37; for repairs on the church and rectory, $17.75; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $59; paid on indebtedness, $50.22; for the Sunday school, $19.55. Total for Parochial objects, $632.01.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $11.50; assessment of the convention, $21.87; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.88; Akeley Institute, $2.50. Total for Diocesan objects, $38.75.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday school, for domestic missions, etc., $4.27. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $4.27.

Total of Disbursements, $675.03.
Balance in hand, $2.56.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,500; rectory, $1,800. Total, $4,300.
Indebtedness, floating, $200; missionary pledges, $8.50. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; rectory, $1,000. Total, $2,500.
Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150, all free.
Bishop's Address, pages —.

REMARKS.

Business depression is greater than has ever been known in this town, and two-thirds of our church people are sufferers in consequence.

St. Mark's Church, Newaygo, County of Newaygo, 1876.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894.)
E. S. Bennett, Warden.
E. S. Bennett, Lay Reader.
R. D. Miller, Secretary.
Lou J. Thompson, Treasurer.
E. S. Bennett, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregations, families, 33; adults, 50; children, 35; total, 85. Of these, baptized persons, 75; baptized during the year, infants, 1; adults, 2; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the parish, 45; confirmed during the year, 4. Communicants last reported, 40; admitted 4; total added, 4. Died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4. Present number, male, 10; female, 30; total, 40. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 25; week days, 3; total, 28. Holy Communion, public, 8. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male 2; female, 4; total, 6; pupils, total, 75; average attendance, 50. Catechising, number of times, 6. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild, Young People's League, Women's Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $22.24; from the offertory, $33.09; subscriptions, $25.65; Women's Guilds, $91.38; Young People's Society, $15; the Sunday school, $19; other sources, $3.25; Total, $209.81.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $112.50; for other salaries, $4; for insurance, $3.75; for repairs on the church and rectory, $22.55; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $18.90; charitable work, $10; Young People's Society, books, etc., $5; by the Sunday school, for papers, etc., $10. Total for Parochial Objects, $186.60.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $4.07; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.42; Akeley Institute, $4.50.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $9.99.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $1.60; foreign missions, $1; Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies, $1.20.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $3 80.

Total of Disbursements, $200.39.

Balance in hand, $9.42.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church and lot, $4,000. Indebtedness, floating, $37.50, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $4.07; missionary pledges, $39;71.) Insurance, on the church, $2,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 83-84.

REMARKS.

Lay services were held during Lent which are not included in above report, The Church was consecrated November 20, 1895.

St. Mark's Mission Church, Paw Paw, County of Van Buren, 1891.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families and parts, 10; adults and children, 26. Of these, baptized persons, 22. Confirmed persons in the parish, 18. Communicants, last reported, 17. Not found, 3. Present number, male, 1; female, 13; total, 14. Marriages, 1. Public services, Sundays, 4; week days, 1; total, 5. Holy Communion, public, 2. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $6.69; individual gifts, $5. Total, $11.69.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $11.69.
Total for Diocesan Objects, $11.69.
Total of Disbursements, $11.69.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,000. Indebtedness, (due the Diocese on assessment, $80.37.) Insurance, on the church, $1,200.

Bishop's Address, page—

REMARKS.

See report of Rev. J, W. Bancroft, General Missionary.

St. James' Church, Pentwater, County of Oceana, 1877.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894.)
Eli E. Pugh, Warden.
Mrs. Carrie Compton, Secretary.
Chauncey Poole, Treasurer.
Mrs. Fred. Neilson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 35; adults, 50; children, 30; total, 80. Of these, baptized persons, 70; baptized during the year, infants, 8; adults, 5; total, 13. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 55; confirmed during the year, 11. Communicants last reported, 37; admitted, 11; received, 2; total added, 13. Died, 5; removed, 2; total lost, 7. Present number male, 8; female, 37; total, 45. Burials, 7. Public services, Sundays, 26; Holy days, 2; week days, 6; total, 34. Holy Communion, public, 10. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4; total, 5. Pupils, male and female, total, 50; average attendance, 40. Catechising, number of times, 5. Name of Parochial society, Woman's Guild. Have held services in Hart twice and celebrated the Holy Communion. I baptized one child.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $4.43; from the offertory, $35.74; subscriptions, $39.75; individual gifts, $15,75; Women's Guilds, $108.00; the Sunday school, $10; other sources, $30.00. Total, $253.67.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For insurance, $20.00; for repairs on the rectory, $12.00; taxes and interest, $17.78; the increase and improvement of church property, $51.12; paid on indebtedness, (am't due at last convention, $249 37), $58 75; by the Sunday school, for itself, $4.00.
Total for Parochial Objects, $163 65.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $83.50; assessment of the convention, $4.05; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $2.85; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.00; Akeley Institute (Confirmee's Fund), $5.75.
Total for Diocesan Objects, $100.15.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic Missions, $1.65; by the Sunday school for General Missions, $4.09.
Total for Objects exterior to the Diocese, $5.74.
Total of Disbursements, $269.54.
Balance in hand, $11.87.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000; rectory, $450. Indebtedness, floating, $50; Missionary pledges, $51.48; secured, $200. Insurance, on the church, $1,000; rectory, $300; total, $1,300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 75; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages —.

Emmanuel Church, Petoskey, County of Emmet, 1887.

St. Quentin H. Williams, Lay Reader.
Ralph Connable, Warden.
C. E. Churchill, Secretary.
St. Quentin H. Williams, Treasurer.
N. E. Brackett, Superintendent of the Sunday school.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Communicants, last reported, 85. Present number, 85. Public services, Sundays, in 1895, 60; morning services, in 1896, 17; Holy days, all in 1895; week days—Fridays in 1895, and Ash Wednesday and Good Friday in 1896. Sunday school, (re-organized in March, 1896), teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 6; total, 8; pupils, male and female, 47; total, 55. Catechising, number of times, every Sunday. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 200. Subscribers to Church Helper, 7. Names of Parochial Societies, Ladies' Guild, Junior Auxiliary. Missionary services: Have been in Charlevoix and Harbor Springs at regular times until December 1, 1895. [By the Rev. E. W. Jewell.]

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $179.32; the envelope system, $476.97; subscriptions, $40; Women's Guilds, $159; the Sunday school, $12; all other sources, $18. Total, $873.29.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, (paid to December 1, 1895,) $606.92; for other salaries, janitor, $86; for interest on mortgage, $56; for repairs on the church and rectory, $34; on all other expenses of parish maintenance, kerosene and music, $4.87; fuel and light $18.85; sundries, $11.52; by the Sunday school, for an old bill for Sunday school papers and paid from Sunday school treasury.

Total for Parochal Objects, $830.16

For objects within the Diocese—Episcopate Fund, (permanent fund,) $4.23; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.80.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $7.03.
Total of Disbursements, $837.19.
Balance in hand, $55.13.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $6,000. Indebtedness, floating, $203.58; (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $98.88; missionary pledges, $15.) Insurance, on the church, none, (*); rectory and furniture, $1,500.

Bishop's Address, pages 82–86.

REMARKS.

Rev. Ernest W. Jewell, M., resigned the rectorship of this parish taking effect December 1, 1895, but continued to serve us faithfully and acceptably until January 2, 1896, when he went to his new field of labor at Calumet, Mich.

* Will be insured at once.

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St. John's Church, Quincy, County of Branch, 1882.

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby, in charge.
Mrs. Kate Lytle, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 21; adults, 36; children, 40; total, 76. Of these baptized persons, 62. Confirmed persons in the parish, 22. Communicants last reported, 22. Present number male, 3; female, 19; total, 22. Name of Parochial society: Ladies' Aid Society.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $27.20; subscriptions, $42.25; Women's Guilds, $3.
Total, $72.45.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the rector's salary (paid to Herbert Sowerby), $41.75; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $30.37.
Total for Parochial objects, $72.12.
Total of Disbursements, $72.12.
Balance in hand, $6.33.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,200. Indebtedness, floating, $28.76; (of this, due the Diocese on assessment $28.76). Insurance, on the church, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 100, all free.
Bishop's Address, pages —.

REMARKS.

The secretary has added items from report of 1894.

St. James' Mission, Rockford, County of Kent, 1880.

The Rev. M. H. Martin, in charge.
George T. Sanders, Warden.
John A. Tuttle, Secretary.
Mrs. William Haskell, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 14; children, 3; total, 17. Of these, baptized persons, 17. Confirmed persons in the parish, 14. Communicants, last reported, 22. Died, 3; removed, 1; not found, 4; total lost, 8. Present number male, 2; female, 12; total, 14. Burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 18; week days, 1; total 19. Holy Communion, public, 5.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $14.43; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $7. Total, $21.43.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For expenses of clerical supply, $10.85; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $1.10.
Total for parochial objects, $11.95.
For objects withi n the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $6.48.
Total for Diocesan objects, $6.48.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—American Church Building Fund, Commission, $3. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $3.00.
Total of Disbursements, $21.43.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500. Indebtedness, missionary pledges, $3.18. Insurance, on the church, $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150, all free.

Bishop's Address, pages —.

REMARKS.

The church was consecrated December 3, 1895.

St. James' Church, Sturgis, County of St. Joseph, 1890.

The Rev. Carl Reed Taylor, Missionary in charge.
J. J. Wait, Warden.
Mrs. Putnam, Secretary.
Mrs. Munger, Treasurer.
J. J. Wait, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 39; adults, 83; children, 45; total, 128. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; adults, 2; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the parish, 52; confirmed during the year, 11. Communicants, last reported, 33. Present number, male and female, 35. Marriages, 3; burials, (committed) 1. Public services, Sundays, 60; holy days, 11; week days, 37; total, 108. Holy Communion, public, 7; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 4; total, 7. Pupils male and female, 30; average attendance, 20. Catechising, number of times, 8. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Guild, Y. P. S. S. G., Woman's Auxiliary. Have held missionary services in Three Rivers, 4 times, Burr Oak, 2 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $7.84; from the offertory, $58.96; the envelope system, $188.92; individual gifts, $6.55; Women's Guilds, $116.41; the Sunday school, $26.30. Total, $404.98.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rectors salary, (paid to Perdue & Taylor) $343.20; the increase and improvement of church property, $2.84; by the Sunday school for itself, $25.30. Total for parochial objects, $371.34.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $2.32; assessment of the convention, $7.34; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $1.55; Bishop's Trust Fund, $10.43. Total for Diocesan objects, $21.64.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2; by the Sunday school, for general missions, $10.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $12.00.
Total of Disbursements, $404.98.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Salary of rector, $416. Capacity of church building, whole number of sittings 75, all free.

Bishop's Address, page 86.

REMARKS.

The report of services held is incomplete.

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St. Paul's Church, St. Joseph, County of Berrien, 1896.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, M., Rector (1895).
R. Gates Rice, Warden.
Geo. K. Pixley, Secretary.
T. S. Clarke, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 26; adults, 55; children, 14; total, 69. Of these, baptized persons, 56. Baptized during the year, infants, 2. Confirmed persons in the parish, 42; confirmed during the year, 12 Present number, male, 11; female, 26; total, 37. Marriages, 1; burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 29; holy days, 1; week days, 4; total, 34. Holy Communion, public, 2. Name of parochial society: St. Catherine's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $124.36. Total, $124.36.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For rector's salary, (paid to Mr. Woodruff) $60; books and music, $12.30; rent, $40.
Total for parochial objects, $112.30.
For objects within the Diocese—Bishop's Trust Fund, $7.43.
Total for Diocesan objects, $7.43.
Total of Disbursements, $119.73.
Balance in hand, $4.63.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

[No report.]

Bishop's Address, page 87.

REMARKS.

This mission was organized since the last Convention and has just begun its work.

St. Johannes' Church, Tustin, County of Osceola, 1872.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary. (1896.)
N. Nelson, M. Swanson, Wardens.
John Peterson, Secretary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Communicants, last reported, male, 4; female, 6; total, 10.

FINANCIAL REPORT—[No report.]

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.—[No report.]

Bishop's Address, pages —.

REMARKS.

This mission came into my hands last winter. I make no clerical report for the reason that I have no means of knowing whether or not the Swedish people who belong to this parish are communicants of the Episcopal Church. If the G. R. & I. R. R. Co. could be induced to deed the property to Bishop Gillespie in trust for the parish, something might be done at Tustin. Several candidates for baptism were ready at each time, but sickness prevented the keeping of my appointment. W. P. Law.

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Trinity Church, Three Rivers, County of St. Joseph, 1873.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Missionary, Rector.
C. Elmer Jameson, Lay Reader.
Willis C. Squire, Warden.
Jerome Merrell, Secretary.
S. M. Constantine, Treasurer.
C. E. Jameson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 25; adults, 51; children, 14; total, 65. Of these, baptized persons, 53. Baptized during the year, infant, 1; Confirmed persons in the parish, 32. Confirmed during the year, 3. Communicants, last reported. 18; admitted, 3; received, 5; total, 8. Removed, 4. Present number male, 5; female, 17; total, 22. Burial, 1. Public services, Sundays, 99; holy days, 4; week days, 8; total, 111. Holy Communion, public, 7. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 5; total, 7. Pupils, male, 8; female, 11; total, 19; average attendance, 14. Number of volumes, Parish library, 52. Subscribers to Church Helper, 5. Name of Parochial society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $11.42; from the offertory, $78.93; subscriptions, $15; Women's Guilds, $36.91; other sources, $90.19. Total, $232.45.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For other salaries, $58.90; for repairs on the church $64.39; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $59.99.
Total for Parochial objects, $183.28.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $13.54; assessment of the convention, (arrears paid, $1.00) $5.81; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.11.
Total for Diocesan objects, $23.46.

For Objects Exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $1.09; societies for conversion of Jews, $1.02.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $2.11.
Total of Disbursements, $208.85.
Balance in hand, $23.60.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000. Insurance, $2,000. Capacity of the church building whole number of sittings, 275, all free.

Bishop's Address, page 86.

REMARKS.

The Parish is greatly indebted to Mr. C. E. Jameson, of New Jersey, who in connection with the members, has kept the church open. The church edifice has been repaired by painting, carpeting, etc. See report of Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.

Redeemer Church, Whitehall, County of Muskegon, 1891.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary. (1894.)
Martin De Maas, Warden.
Mrs. George Gardiner, Secretary and Treasurer.
De Maas, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 20; children, 10; total, 30. Of these, baptized persons, 25. Baptized during the year, infant, 1; total, 1. Confirmed persons in the parish, 20. Communicants last reported, 20. Pres-

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ent number, male, 3; female, 17; total, 20. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 19; week days, 3; total, 22. Holy Communion, public, 7; private, 1. Catechising, number of times, 2. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $5.04; from offertory, $10; other sources, $3.
Total, $18.04.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $14; assessment of the convention, $2.76. Total for Diocesan objects, $16.76.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $1.25.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.25.
Total of Disbursements, $18.01.
Balance in hand, $0.03.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,000. Indebtedness, due Diocese on assessment, $2.76; missionary pledges, $5.90. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 75, all free.

Bishop's Address, page —.

REMARKS.

During the summer and fall services were held one Sunday evening in the month on the Montague side but were discontinued. Several of our families have been sorely afflicted.

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

St. Luke's Mission, Grand Rapids, County of Kent.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, Missionary. (1886.)
Mrs. Huntley, Treasurer
Miss Norris, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, about 25; adults, 60; children, 30; total, 90. Baptized during the year, 10; infants, 2; adults, 8. Confirmed persons in the mission, 22. Communicants, 27. Marriages, 1; burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 40. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 5; total, 6. Pupils, male, 11; female, 13; total 24; average attendance, 15. Subscribers to Church Helper, 1. Name of Parochial Society: Daughters of the King.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $27; Women's Guilds, $85; the Sunday school, $6.
Total, $118.00.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Mission—Paid for rent of the Lutheran Church in which to hold services, $25. In hand for church lot, $93.
Total for Mission objects, $118 00.

Bishop's Address, pages —.

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REMARKS.

This mission has in it some of the most earnest and devoted workers in the whole city; it is a new field, well located and affording much hopefulness for a permanent and firmly established organization in a few years.

Mission Church, Grand Ledge, County of Eaton.

The Rev. J. W.Bancroft, General Missionary, in charge.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 9; adults and children, 25. Of these, baptized persons, 20. Confirmed persons in parish, 13; confirmed during the year, 1. Present number, females, 8. Public services, week days, 3. Holy communion, private, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $0.90.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

General missions, $0.90. Total of disbursements, $0.90.

Mission Church, Portland, County of Ionia.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Genetal Missionary, in charge.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 9; adults and children, 24. Of these, baptized persons, 24. Baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 1; total 3. Confirmed persons in the parish, 16; confirmed during the year, 2. Present number, males, 3; female, 10; total 13. Public services, Sundays, 6; week days, 10; total, 16. Holy Communion, public, 2; private, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $20.13; individual gifts, $13.75. Total, $33.88.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For all expenses of parish maintenance, $29.37. Total for Parochial objects, $29 37.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $4.51.

Total for Diocesan objects, $4.51.

Total of Disbursements. $33.88.

Mission at Reed City, County of Osceola.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 8; adults, 12; children, 8, total, 20. Of these, baptized persons, 15. Baptized during the year, infants, 2; adult, 1; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the parish, 10; confirmed during the year, 2. Communicants, last reported, 7; admitted, 2; total added, 2. Not found, 2; total lost, 2. Present number, male, 2; female, 5; total, 7. Public services, Sundays, 3; week days, 4; total, 7. Holy Communion, public, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $3.75. Total, $3.75.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For expenses of Parish maintenance, $2.
Total for Parochial objects, $2.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions $1.75.
Total for Diocesan objects, $1.75.
Total of Disbursements, $3.75.
Bishop's Address, page 83.

REMARKS.

One of the baptisms recorded in the above report took place at Hersey. Reed City would make a good centre for mission work on the G. R. & I. R. R. and quite a congregation could be gathered if property could be secured and a missionary resident. One sign of the church's power is the fact that, in some towns, people seem to be afraid that we will organize a mission. The Church is getting too popular, they think.

Grace Church, Stanton, County of Montcalm.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary, in charge.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 5; adults, 11; children, 7; total, 18. Of these, baptized persons, 17. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 9. Present number. male, 1; female, 8; total, 9.

FINANCIAL REPORT.—[No report.]

St. Stephen's Church, Schoolcraft, County of Kalamazoo.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary,
Mrs. H. S. Smith, Secretary.
Miss Minnie Monroe, Treasurer.
Mrs. C. C. Duncan, Pres't Woman's Guild, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families including 3 at Vicksburg, 15; adults, 26; children, 6; total, 32. Of these, baptized persons. 32. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 23. Communicants, last reported, 24. Removed, 2; not found, 2; total lost, 4 Present number male and female, 26. Public services, Sundays, 9; week days, 5; total, 14. Holy Communion, public, 4. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

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THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $19.29; alms at Holy Communion not otherwise reported, $1.96; subscriptions, $18.29; individual gifts, $5; Woman's Guilds, $20.50. Total, $63.08.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the rector's salary (paid to Rev. Mr. Wetherbee), $25; for insurance, $15; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $5.50. Total for Parochial objects, $45.50.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $6.20; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.56. Total for Diocesan objects, $7.76.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $3.32; domestic missions, $6.50. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $9.82.
Total of Disbursements, $63.08.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $2 000

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APPENDIX C.

PERSONAL AND OTHER REPORTS.

To the Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, S. T. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

Tabular Statement of Services and Offerings for the year ending May 31, 1896.

TOWNS AND PARISHES.	Services—Sundays.	Week Days.	Holy Commun. Public.	Holy Commun. Private.	Number Communions.	Baptisms—Children.	Baptsms—Adults.	Marriages.	Number Pastoral Calls.	Offerings: Bishop's Trust Fund.	Local Expenses.	Missions—Diocesan.	Missions, General.	Missions, Domestic.	Missions, Among Jews.	Bibles & C.P. Book Soc.	TOTALS.
										$ ...	$ ...	$ ...	$ ...	$ ...	$ ...	$ ...	$ ...
Albion, S. James'	2	1	1	1	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cassopolis, S. James'	6	2	3	...	26	2	...	...	14	2 09	...	2 19	1 55	...	...	...	5 83
Charlotte, Grace	2	...	1	...	23	...	...	1	4	9 45	...	...	...	...	...	...	9 45
Grand Ledge	...	3	...	3	11	1	...	...	22	...	...	...	90	...	...	...	90
Homer, Christ	2	...	1	1	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	2 06	...	...	...	...	2 06
Mendon, S. Paul's	10	4	4	2	40	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 36	1 36
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	4	1	2	...	24	...	...	1	10	...	...	6 69	...	...	...	...	6 69
Portland	6	3	2	1	20	2	...	...	14	...	1 20	4 51	...	...	...	...	5 71
Schoolcraft, S. Stephen's	9	5	4	...	46	...	...	...	18	1 56	...	6 20	3 32	6 50	...	...	17 58
Sturgis, S. James'	8	3	5	...	110	8	...	...	22	1 84	1 18	2 32	...	...	...	...	5 34
Three Rivers, Trinity	16	4	6	...	63	3	...	...	19	1 36	...	8 48	1 09	...	1 02	...	11 95
Union City, Grace	6	...	3	1	47	2	1	...	20	8 00	1 80	13 40	...	...	...	...	23 20
TOTALS	71	26	32	9	474	18	2	2	156	$24 30	$4 18	$45 85	$6 86	$6 50	$1 02	$1 36	$90 07

Besides the above services, I preached twice on a Sunday in Grand Haven, and conducted, or took part in the services of three Sundays in Hastings, appointments at other places having been canceled. I also solemnized a marriage and attended a funeral in Hastings, and gave the Holy Communion, in private, at Sparta, Wis., and in the Asylum in Kalamazoo.

The report of offerings is only of those passing through my hands.

JOSEPH W. BANCROFT,
General Missionary,
Convocation of Kalamazoo.

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Report of Woodford P. Law, General Missionary, Grand Rapids Convocation. June 1, 1895, to June 1, 1896.

To the Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

TOWNS AND PARISHES.	SERVICES.		BAPTISMS				OFFERINGS.									
	Sunday.	Week Day.	Holy Communion.	Confirmation.	Infant.	Adult.	Burials.	Akeley Institute.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Clergy Fund.	Domestic Miss'ns.	Foreign Missions.	Prayer Book Soc.	General Missions.	Diocesan Miss'ns.	Special Offerings.
Baldwin, S. Matthew's	3	4	1		12			$	$ 2 10	$	$	$	$	$	$ 4 73	$
Hart	1	2	1		1										75	2 25
Hersey					1											
Holland, Grace		2														
Kalkaska		2	1												1 05	
Ludington, Grace	4	1	3			1	1		1 00						3 23	
Luther, Christ	12	2	4	2		1			1 00						10 59	
Mancelona, Nativity	8	5	4	5	4	5		50	3 35					13 47	36 40	
Montague	7		1				1									
Muskegon, S. Luke's	1		1													
Newaygo, S. Mark's	25	3	8	4	1	2	1	50	1 42		1 60	1 00	1 20			
Pentwater, S. James'	26	8	10	11	8	5	6	6 15	4 00	2 85	1 65			3 65		
Reed City	3	4	2	2	1	1									1 75	
Whitehall, Redeemer	12	3	7		1									1 25	2 00	
Totals	102	36	43	24	29	14	2	$7 15	$12 87	$2 85	$5 25	$1 00	$1 20	$18 37	$60 50	$2 25

In addition to the above, I have held services twice in S. John's church, Grand Rapids, preached for and assisted several rectors.

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REPORT OF REV. AUSTIN W. MANN, GENERAL MISSIONARY IN CHARGE OF DEAF MUTE CONGREGATIONS.

To the Rt. Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

From the beginning of this pioneer work, twenty-one years ago to the present, my missionary journeyings have taken me many times over a territory much too large for one man. It extends from the Alleghenies to the Missouri river.

The possibility of a single missionary spreading the church services in the sign language over so extensive an area is due to the rapid transit of modern days, and the generous, helpful interest of the officers in charge of the same.

The results have been most encouraging, as the figures later on show. Missions have been planted in all the large cities, which in course of time will become churches, like All Soul's Philadelphia, or St. Ann's, New York.

The great need of the day is a larger force of workers versed in the deaf-mute language to meet the increasing calls for the church's blessed services, and hold the ground already gained. Our scattered brethren of silence should have frequent instead of occasional ministration, at long intervals, At present, the church has only ten clergy and a few lay readers engaged in this special work. Of this handful of clergy, only seven are actively engaged, so it is easy to see that a very small proportion of the deaf-mutes of the United States are reached.

The large proportion at present beyond her reach are suffering spiritually. They have no means of participating in the worship of the hearing, except where the blessed Prayer Book is used. But an understanding of their special difficulties shows the present wisdom of providing services apart from those of the hearing. The sign language meets this need. It is to the eye what speech is to the ear. In this isolation from spiritual ministrations the deaf are in a worse situation than the blind, who need no interpreters or special ministry as they worship in common with Christians blessed with all their faculties.

During the Conventional year just closed, services in the sign language were held in S. Beda's Mission, S. Mark's Church and S. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids; Trinity church, Niles; and Grace church, Holland, with good attendance. No services at Flint have reached the pupils whose homes are in this Diocese. Deaf-mutes from Buchanan, Dowagiac, and other places attend those at Niles. Baptisms, S. Bede's mission, 3; confirmations, 5. Two were confirmed at S. Paul's church. Holy Communion, S. Beda's mission.

Of the 45 deaf-mute communicants of the Diocese, 21 belong to S. Beda's mission; 4 to Battle Creek; 3 to Ionia; the remainder to Vicksburg, Muskegon and other places. I wish that the missionary field was smaller, so it would be possible to reach these scattered people with ministrations several times a year.

Services have been held as usual in the other Dioceses of the Mid-Western Deaf-Mute Mission. Total baptisms, 34; confirmations, 33.

In the 21 years of missionary labor, 728 deaf dutes and their hearing children have been brought to baptism, and 623 deaf-mutes to confirmation. The children go into the Sunday school with the others, are taught in the ordinary way, and brought to confirmation by the rectors. Over 800 Prayer Books and thousands of tracts have been distributed. For the former the Mission is indebted to the generosity of the New York and the Bishop White Prayer Book Societies.

RECEIPTS.

From	Mr. D. G. Robinson, Treas. Diocesan Miss'y Board, stipend,	$125 00
"	From Women's Auxiliary, S. Mark's church, Grand Rapids, toward clerical suit	22 00
"	Combined service, S. Paul's church, Grand Rapids	1 50
"	Deaf-Mute services, Grand Rapids	7 36
	Total	$155 86

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ST. GEORGE'S CHAPEL—DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

The Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie D. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

The Chaplain of the Diocesan School for Girls, respectfully reports as follows:

During the school year daily services have been held in the chapel, with Holy Communion on Thursdays. This latter is a voluntary service, and is well attended. During the year gifts have been made to the chapel as follows: A large Altar service book, by the Rev. C. Fair, D. D., of Grand Rapids; a handsome pair of brass vases, by Miss Travis, class of '95; and a pair of cut-glass cruets, by Miss Lillie Keith, class of 1900.

The Bishop of the Diocese confirmed a class of six on March 24, 1896. The members of the school have contributed to both Diocesan and general church work, as may be seen from the accompanying list.

RECEIPTS.

From chapel collections, personal gifts—from all sources		$136 65

EXPENDITURES.

For the school	$ 39 00		
For the chapel	27 83		
For Diocesan missions	15 00		
Bishop's Trust Fund	8 99		
Confirmees Fund	50		
Foreign missions (Joseph W. Bancroft Scholarship Fund)	45 33		
		$136 65	
A Lenten box of clothing has been sent to the Sisters Hospital at Albany, value	$ 13 85		
		$ 13 85	
Total			$150 50

JAMES EDWARD WILKINSON,
Chaplain.

REPORT OF THE REV. KARL E. OPPEN.

San Francisco, Cal., May 23, 1896.

Right Reverend and Dear Bishop:

I beg to report that during the past year I have been engaged in business, editing at Chicago the "Deutsche Industrie," and since October, 1895, until the end of the season, (April 15), traveling for a Milwaukee grain firm.

Until the season opens again, (Sept. 1), I am introducing a chemical preparation for conserving purposes, manufactured in Milwaukee. Having secured the Atlantic and Pacific states as my territory, the prospects are that I can take up church work again in a very short time, without being obliged to ask the church for support. I have only held occasional services or assisted a brother priest upon invitation once in a while.

Yours very respectfully,
KARL E. OPPEN.

REPORT OF THE REV. HENRY HUGHES.

To the Rt. Reverend George D. Gillespie D. D.:

For the year ending June 1, 1896. Number of services held: Sundays, 37: week days, 3; total, 40. Marriages, 3.

The letter Dimissory issued to me, having been presented to a "Bishop within six months from the date of its issue," is not now null. According to Title I, Canon 18, Sec VII, Sub Sec. 3, a Bishop has six months in which to take action after receiving it. Yours respectfully,
HENRY HUGHES.

Coldwater, June 20, 1896.

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LAY READERS' REPORTS.

Elk Rapids, H. B. Lewis—"This my fourth year of continuous service as Lay Reader in this parish has been, owing to the sickness of the rector, the largest in point of services read, of any that has preceded it. Following is a brief summary of the work: Sunday morning services with sermon 25; Sunday evening services with sermon, 17; week-day evening services with readings from "The Church in the Prayer Book" by Temple, 6; week-day morning services with sermon (Good Friday), 1; assisted the rector at the morning service, 2; read service at Bishop's visitation, 2. One of the "Sunday morning services" included in above was held at "Ske-ge-mog Point" on Elk Lake, six miles from Elk Rapids, where a few of the congregation were camping. It was held in the open air attended by twenty-four persons, including a Baptist clergyman, his family and friends.

Ludington, Grace Church, R. K. Johnson.—I received my license as Lay Reader March 5, 1895. From that time I conducted Sunday morning service regularly until the latter part of June, when Rev. H. D. Chambers took charge of the parish. Since then I have conducted two Sunday morning services and one evening service. I read the Litany once, and assisted Mr. Chambers with the Lessons once. This is my report for the year ending April 4, 1896.

Holland, C. A. Stephenson.—I have held services in Grace church, Holland, twenty-three times during the past year.

Homer, Christ Church, H. D. Beedon.—I have read the service forty-three times in the year just ended. Our people are few in numbers and unable to pay a clergyman, but will not consent to give up the Church services.

Grand Rapids, Grace, C. K. Seymour.—I have the honor to report that I conducted the services in Grace Church on the mornings of October 6, 13, 20, 1895.

Three Rivers, C. E. Jameson.—I desire to render the following report of the use of license as Lay Reader for the year ending at Easter: Services in Three Rivers every Sunday in April and nearly every Sunday from Trinity to second in Advent. Also two Sundays in Greenville and one each in Newaygo and Whitehall, and assistance one Sunday to the rector at Mt. Pleasant and one to the rector at Ludington.

Allegan, Church of the Good Shepherd, C. R. Wilkes.—I conducted services two Sundays in April and May 1895, and held two week-day services in Lent, 1896.

Emmanuel Mission, Petoskey, S. H. Williams.—I held my first service on Friday evening, January 3, 1896. Since that I have held a morning service on every Sunday up to last Sunday, May 31. During Lent I held the Ash Wednesday and Good Friday services. During this period I have read sermons from "Books of Sermons" for Lay Readers, appointed for each Sunday, in order, from Advent to Trinity. In addition to this, I was Superintendent in the S. S. until the re-organization in March.

S. Mark's, Grand Rapids, C. Willoughby Vincent.—Received License in the first week of Lent, 1895, and at once proceeded to hold a week-day service and confirmation candidate class at the Southwest Mission of this city under the Rev. Dr. Fair, and also to take the Sunday service at the Hospital Chapel. Since last Easter have continued the latter service whenever sufficient attendance could be assured, under circumstances sufficiently well known. In addition, have taken occasional Sunday services at the Mission of S. John's and S. Matthew's respectively, and week-day ones at S. Mark's chapel and S. Matthew's Mission. Have also held, and hold, frequent "bedside services" in two suburban homes, by request of Dr. Fair, in addition to other visiting of the sick and aged.

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S. Beda's Mission, Grand Rapids, J. E. Nash.—I report I have held in S. Beda's Mission since my last report, thirty-five Sunday services and sixteen week-day services. During the same time our General Missionary conducted seven Sunday and two week-day services.

S. Matthew's Mission, Grand Rapids, M. C. Burch.—I hereby tender my resignation to you as Lay Reader in charge of S. Matthew's Mission of this city. Having held the position for three years, with varying results, I think it best to tender my resignation at the close of such period.

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JOYFUL THROUGH HOPE.

IN MEMORIAM.



GEORGE CLINTON VAN VECHTEN EASTMAN, D. D., S. T. D.

Born in Bristol, Vt., July 22d, 1807.

ORDAINED DEACON. BY BISHOP GRISWOLD. AT MARBLEHEAD, MASS.. IN 1832.

ORDAINED PRIEST. BY BISHOP GRISWOLD. IN S. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARBLEHEAD, MASS.. IN 1833.

Rector of S. Michæl's Church, Marblehead, Mass.

Rector of S. Michæl's Church, Brattleboro, Vt.

Rector of Christ Church, Guilford, Vt.

Rector of S. Paul's Church, Vergennes, Vt.

Rector of S. Mary's Church, Northfield, Vt.

Rector of Zion Church, Manchester Centre, Vt.

For eleven years at the head of a boarding school for boys, in Litchfield, Conn.

For three years principal of Cary Institute, Oakfield, N. Y.

For two years at Patapsco Institute, Md.

For a time in charge of a school at Brattleboro, Vt.

Held Rectorship, also, in Maine, New York, Albany, Western New York and in the Diocese of Frederickton, New Brunswick.

At the age of 77 he took charge of Benton Harbor, continuing in charge till 1891, erecting the church.

Entered into Rest at Benton Harbor, March 5, 1896.

Buried at Burlington, Vt. March 9, 1896.

FULL OF FAITH.

PATIENT IN TRIBULATION.

CONTINUING INSTANT IN PRAYER.

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APPENDIX D.

ABSTRACTS OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—PAROCHIAL PROPERTY.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Property, by whom held.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Rectory.	Other Property.	Insurance Carried.	Indebtedness Secured.	Indebtedness Floating.	Reduction of Debt.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	Rector's Salary.	Amount Paid on Rector's Salary.	Whole Number of Church Sittings.	Number of Sittings Free.	Number of Sittings Rented.
Albion, S. James'	Vestry.	$ 5000 00	$	$	$ 3500	$	$ 35 00	$	$	$ ...	$ 250 00	300	300	.....
Allegan, Good Shepherd	Vestry.	5500 00	1500 00	.....	5000	.....	.....	.....	.....	‡ 900	900 00	200	200	.....
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	Vestry.	24000 00	3000 00	2500 00	12500	500 00	.....	.....	.....	‡1800	1800 00	400	.....	400
Big Rapids, S. Andrew's	Vestry.	3500 00	1400 00	.....	3250	.....	250 00	.....	.....	‡ 800	935 61	130	130	.....
Coldwater, S. Mark's	Vestry.	16700 00	.....	.....	8000	.....	325 00	.....	.....	‡1000	803 81	400	125	275
Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	Asso'n.	5000 00	1000 00	.....	3900	900 00	225 25	28 36	.....	‡ 800	566 66	250	250	.....
Grand Haven, S. John's	Vestry.	6500 00	1200 00	.....	5250	750 00	264 74	.....	.....	‡ 800	790 38	250	250	.....
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	Vestry.	65000 00	12000 00	.....	17500	1500 00	1000 00	2000 00	.....	‡3600	3600 00	1500	800	700
Grand Rapids, Grace	Vestry.	30000 00	6000 00	.....	15500	15500 00	.....	4000 00	.....	‡1500	1500 00	600	600	.....
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	Vestry.	3000 00	.....	600 00	2500	160 00	331 80	.....	.....	800	721 00	200	200	.....
Grand Rapids, Trinity	Vestry.	6000 00	.....	.....	.....	1500 00	.....	.....	.....	800	795 19	350	350	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	Vestry.	9000 00	.....	2000 00	.....	452 50	70 00	777 10	.....	950	880 00	300	300	.....
Holland, Grace	Vestry.	3500 00	.....	.....	2500	.....	72 00	.....	.....	500	278 50	150	150	.....
Homer, Christ	Vestry.	20000 00	.....	.....	1200	.....	110 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	150	.....
Ionia, S. John's	Vestry.	10000 00	.....	500 00	7500	.....	820 75	350 00	.....	1500	1300 00	325	325	.....
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	Vestry.	58000 00	6000 00	39297 43	38700	.....	2050 00	.....	.....	‡1800	1800 00	700	700	.....
Ludington, Grace	Vestry.	3000 00	.....	1200 00	2000	500 00	41 71	.....	.....	400	297 17	150	150	.....
Manistee, Holy Trinity	Vestry.	9000 00	1400 00	.....	2500	4000 00	200 00	.....	.....	‡ 850	810 95	250	250	.....
Marshall, Trinity	Vestry.	12000 00	3400 00	6495 46	11300	.....	.....	.....	.....	‡1000	999 90	450	450	.....
Mendon, S. Paul's	.....	1000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	120	50 00	200	200	.....
Muskegon, S. Paul's	Vestry.	*60000 00	.....	6000 00	18700	27000 00	224 00	571 78	.....	‡1350	1228 77	750	400	350
Niles, Trinity	Vestry.	15000 00	3000 00	.....	8000	.....	.....	.....	.....	‡1200	1188 39	500	225	275
Saranac, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....
Saugatuck, All Saints'	Vestry.	2000 00	.....	.....	500	.....	202 19	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	200	.....
Traverse City, Grace	Vestry.	2000 00	1200 00	.....	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	150	.....
Union City, Grace	Vestry.	1800 00	.....	.....	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....
TOTAL	.....	$358500 00	$ 41100 00	$58592 89	$172300	$52762 50	$6213 03	$7727 24						

‡ And Rectory.

* Includes Rectory and Guild Room.

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REPORT OF PROPERTY OF ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Property, by whom held.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Rectory.	Other Property.	Insurance Carried.	Indebtedness Secured.	Indebtedness Floating.	Reduction of Debt.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	Rector's Salary.	Amount Paid on Rector's Salary.	Whole Number of Church Sittings.	Number of Sittings Free.	Number of Sittings Rented
Baldwin, S. Matthew's	Assoc'n.	$ 400	$ 200	$ 100 00	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 1 17			
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	Assoc'n.	3500			1300					600	460 00	200	200	
Cassopolis, S. James'				106 00										
Central Lake, S. Matthias'	Trustees	800			500	300 00								
Charlevoix, Christ	Assoc'n.	1500			1000									
Charlotte, Grace	Trustee.	3500												
Coopersville, Epiphany	Assoc'n.	300												
East Jordan, Redeemer	Assoc'n.	1500			500		140 00							
Grand Rapids, S. John's		4000			2300	2550 00		100 00		75	75 00	250	250	
Grand Rapids, S. Matthew's	S. Mks V.	3000			1500	1300 00						150	150	
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's														
Greenville, S. Paul's	Assoc'n.	1500			1000		29 56					170	170	
Harbor Springs, S. John's	Assoc'n.	2000			2000									
Luther, Christ	Assoc'n.	150					7 00					75	75	
Mancelona, Nativity														
Muskegon, S. Luke's	Trustees	1500			400	275 00						125	125	
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	Assoc'n.	2500	1800		2500		200 00				448 49	150	150	
Newaygo, S. Mark's		4000			2000		37 50				112 50	200	200	
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	Assoc'n.	1000			1200									
Pentwater, S. James'	Assoc'n.	2000	450		1300	200 00	50 00					75	75	
Petoskey, Emmanuel	Trustee.	6000			1500		205 58							
Quincy, S. John's	Assoc'n.	1200			1000		28 76							
Rockford, S. James'	Assoc'n.	1500			500							150	150	
Sturgis, S. James'										416	343 20	75	75	
St. Joseph, S. Paul's														
Tustin, S. Johannes'														
Three Rivers, Trinity	Assoc'n.	3000			2000							275	275	
White Hall, Redeemer	Assoc'n.	1000										75	75	
Schoolcraft, S. Stephen's	Assoc'n.	2000												
Total Missions		$ 47850	$ 2450	$ 206 00	$ 22500	$ 4575 00	$ 696 40	$ 100 00	$	$	$1440 36			
Total Parishes		385500	41100	58592 89	172300	52762 50	6223 03	7727 24						
GRAND TOTAL		$ 433350	$43550	$58798 89	$194800	$57337 50	$6919 43	$7827 24	$	$	$			

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.--Receipts and Disbursements.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	PAROCHIAL RECEIPTS, From Offertory	Subscriptions, Pew Rents, Envelopes.	Women's Associations.	Sunday School.	Other Sources, Including Balances.	TOTAL	PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS. Communion Alms.	Rector's Salary.	Other Salaries.	Insurance and Interest.	Other Parish Expenses.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	By or for Sunday School.	Paid on Indebtedness.	Balance on Hand.	TOTAL
Albion, S. James'	$ 30 00	$ 250 00	$ 16 50	$	$ 10 00	$ 306 50	$	$ 250 00	$	$	$ 36 12	$	$	$	$ 3 88	$ 286 12
Allegan, Good Shepherd	37 11	1213 41	285 86	27 25	8 75	1572 38	8 75	900 00	110 00	50 00	431 03	470 43	22 92	.....	.....	1993 13
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	523 73	1982 00	109 05	78 05	1109 62	3802 45	92 15	1800 00	554 59	48 00	357 26	.....	32 01	451 94	.....	3335 95
Big Rapids, S. Andrew's	122 57	577 86	282 40	24 36	300 11	1307 30	.....	935 61	151 00	.....	84 66	.....	18 57	.....	67 81	1189 84
Coldwater, S. Mark's	310 01	882 00	.....	.....	15 73	1192 01	.....	803 81	.....	106 00	232 17	.....	.....	.....	50 03	1141 98
Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	75 06	548 90	65 14	26 36	68 21	783 67	.....	566 66	27 50	.....	25 16	.....	13 21	28 36	21 24	660 89
Grand Haven, S. John's	251 11	647 05	183 43	26 11	61 42	1071 32	.....	790 38	74 24	55 00	126 59	.....	.....	.....	.....	1071 32
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	2712 87	5611 54	412 06	150 78	6326 43	15213 68	333 96	3600 00	1685 73	131 00	2237 17	.....	.....	2000 00	313 16	8987 86
Grand Rapids, Grace	514 49	7234 78	350 00	200 00	.....	8200 27	.....	1500 00	670 00	1400 43	250 00	.....	175 00	4000 00	10 09	7996 43
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	.....	602 40	226 30	.....	160 91	1001 61	.....	721 00	95 60	.....	111 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	928 40
Grand Rapids, Tritnity	287 65	625 75	95 00	.....	166 27	1174 67	.....	795 19	47 00	14 00	313 43	.....	.....	.....	110 20	1169 62
Hastings, Emmanuel	315 49	958 32	618 89	73 31	236 36	2202 37	47 47	880 00	170 50	.....	122 12	.....	40 89	777 10	.....	1937 99
Holland, Grace	92 69	205 75	78 65	38 25	11 25	426 59	8 37	278 50	33 00	.....	39 17	.....	24 00	.....	15 73	383 04
Homer, Christ	31 40	87 00	34 24	.....	.....	152 64	.....	27 99	2 75	12 00	28 65	.....	.....	75 00	6 25	146 39
Ionia, S. John's	546 51	1352 71	447 16	77 24	107 05	2530 67	22 20	1300 00	143 83	10 00	254 61	47 69	39 15	350 00	84 58	2167 48
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	1873 89	3225 84	1215 57	123 49	961 62	7589 50	153 70	1800 00	1839 22	16 00	928 81	.....	71 80	915 40	656 17	6067 88
Ludington, Grace	62 22	297 17	246 31	29 86	56 72	692 38	.....	297 17	31 50	10 00	131 28	157 07	21 99	.....	25 74	649 01
Manistee, Holy Trinity	453 82	848 04	130 00	36 69	4 75	1473 30	32 13	810 95	104 60	253 00	181 20	.....	.....	.....	10 69	1381 88
Marshall, Trinity	254 59	1280 42	.....	136 09	1188 48	2859 58	21 35	999 96	164 96	.....	204 89	475 00	41 96	.....	588 99	1908 12
Muskegon, S. Paul's	499 23	1326 16	929 34	43 99	780 56	3580 28	37 97	1228 77	420 70	36 00	916 97	.....	50 02	571 78	90 13	3262 21
Mendon, S. Paul's	30 97	157 90	7 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	195 92
Niles, Trinity	273 75	631 06	601 43	.....	453 90	1960 14	.....	1138 39	247 62	54 00	153 63	.....	.....	.....	.....	1643 64
Saranac, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saugatuck, All Saints'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Traverse City, Grace	308 24	.....	107 00	.....	.....	415 24	.....	312 24	25 00	10 00	14 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	361 24
Union City, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 80
TOTAL	8706 50	29146 06	6731 32	1113 83	12028 14	59121 76	758 05	20736 62	6599 34	2218 43	8182 52	1150 19	551 52	9169 58	2054 70	48872 14

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PAROCHIAL REPORTS--MISSIONS--Receipts and Disbursements.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	PAROCHIAL RECEIPTS.							PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.									Total.
	From Offertory.	Subscrip'ns Pew Rents, Envelopes.	Woman's Associa'ns	Sunday School	Other Objects, including Balances.	Total		Commun'n Alms.	Rector's Salary.	Other Salaries.	Insurance and Int'r'st	Other Parish Expen's	Increase & Impr'vem't of Church Property.	By or for the Sunday School.	Paid on Indebtd'n's	Balance in Hand.	
Baldwin, S. Matthew's.	$ 8 00	$	$	$	$	$ 8 00		$	$ 1 17	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 1 17
Bent'n H'r, H'lyTrinity	170 75	258 40	144 93	15 85	91 54	681 47		23 33	460 00	52 00	.....	23 35	.....	2 07	.....	63 52	562 37
Cassopolis, S. James'..	5 83	.....	4 14	.....	.....	9 97		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Centr'l L'ke, S. Matthias	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Charlevoix, Christ.....	81 61	.....	.....	32 69	.....	114 30		.....	.....	.....	19 00	19 29	.....	26 57	.....	.....	64 86
Charlotte, Grace.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Coopersv'le, Epiphany	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Jordan, Redeemer	13 88	20 75	25 20	.....	17 71	77 54		.....	12 75	.....	10 00	12 98	4 95	.....	21 20	.....	61 88
Grand Rapids, S. John's	70 00	40 00	238 50	60 00	.....	408 50		.....	75 00	.....	150 50	.....	.....	60 00	100 00	12 97	385 50
G'd R'ds, S. Matthew's	27 91	51 15	41 35	27 66	76 02	224 29		50	.....	1 00	30 00	32 96	40 24	.....	.....	.....	104 70
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's	12 98	.....	.....	.....	5 26	18 24		.....	.....	.....	.....	1 93	.....	.....	.....	15 33	1 93
Greenville, S. Paul's...	47 42	157 65	38 55	23 70	7 84	275 16		.....	111 42	27 85	.....	91 48	.....	16 15	.....	66	246 99
Harb'r Sp'gs, S. John's	81 66	.....	.....	.....	23 10	104 76		.....	40 00	.....	.....	64 76	.....	.....	.....	.....	104 76
Luther, Christ.....	12 59	47 00	13 57	.....	6 13	79 29		.....	.....	.....	.....	34 57	.....	2 00	.....	31 13	35 57
Mancelona, Nativity...	41 35	.....	.....	13 47	15 30	70 22		.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	1 50	.....	.....	16 50
Muskegon, S. Luke's...	14 41	12 91	65 62	16 32	40 54	149 80		.....	.....	27 00	5 00	59 72	.....	.....	25 00	9 69	116 72
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	59 65	448 49	128 50	19 55	21 40	677 59		.....	448 49	37 00	.....	76 75	.....	19 55	50 22	2 56	632 01
Newaygo, S. Mark's...	33 09	25 65	91 38	19 00	40 49	209 81		.....	112 50	4 00	3 75	56 45	.....	10 00	.....	9 42	186 70
Paw Paw, S. Mark's...	6 69	.....	.....	.....	5 00	11 69		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pentwater, S. James'..	35 74	39 75	108 00	10 00	46 18	253 67		.....	.....	.....	37 78	12 00	51 12	4 00	58 75	11 87	163 65
Petoskey, Emmanuel..	179 32	516 97	150 00	12 00	18 00	873 29		.....	606 92	86 00	56 00	69 24	.....	12 00	.....	55 13	830 16
Quincy, S. John's.....	27 20	42 25	3 00	.....	.....	72 45		.....	41 75	.....	.....	30 37	.....	.....	.....	33	72 12
Rockford, S. James'...	21 43	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 43		.....	10 85	.....	.....	1 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 95
Sturgis, S. James'.....	58 96	188 92	116 41	26 30	14 39	404 98		.....	343 20	.....	.....	.....	2 84	25 30	.....	.....	371 34
St. Joseph, S. Paul's...	124 36	.....	.....	.....	.....	124 36		.....	60 00	.....	.....	52 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	112 30
Tustin, S. Johannes'..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity	78 93	15 00	36 91	.....	101 61	232 45		.....	.....	58 90	.....	124 38	.....	.....	.....	23 60	183 28
Whitehall, Redeemer..	10 00	.....	.....	.....	8 04	18 04		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	1213 86	1864 89	1215 06	276 54	538 55	5120 30		23 83	2324 05	293 75	312 03	778 63	99 15	179 14	255 17	236 21	4269 40
Unorganized Missions																	
Schoolc'ft, S. Stephen's	19 29	18 29	20 50	.....	5 00	63 08		.....	25 00	.....	15 00	5 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 50
Reed City.....	3 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 75		.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Portland.....	20 13	.....	.....	.....	13 75	33 88		.....	.....	.....	.....	29 37	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 37
Grand Ledge.....	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	90		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90
Grand Rapids, S. Luke's	27 00	.....	85 00	6 00	.....	118 00		.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	93 00	118 00
Total Unorg'z'd Mis'ns	71 07	18 29	105 50	6 00	18 75	219 61		.....	25 00	.....	15 00	61 87	.....	.....	.....	93 00	195 77
Total Orgnz'd Missions	1213 86	1864 89	1215 06	276 54	538 55	5120 30		23 83	2324 05	293 75	312 03	778 63	99 15	179 14	255 17	236 21	4269 40
Total Parishes.....	8706 50	29146 06	6731 32	1113 83	12028 14	59121 76		758 05	20736 62	6599 34	2218 43	8182 93	1150 19	551 52	9169 58	2054 70	88872 14
GRAND TOTAL...	9991 43	31028 14	8051 88	1395 37	12585 44	64561 67		781 88	23085 67	6893 09	2545 46	9023 43	1249 34	730 66	9424 75	2383 91	93141 51

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—WITHIN THE DIOCESE.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Diocesan Missions	Convention Assessment	Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Aid to Candidates for Holy Orders.	Woman's Auxiliary Aid In Diocese.	Sunday School Aid in Diocese.	For Akeley Institute.	Deaf Mute Fund.	Diocesan Church Building Fund.	Other Objects.	TOTAL.
Albion, S. James'	$	$ 16 50	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 16 50
Allegan, Good Shepherd	55 95	32 98	16 47	.....	.....	.....	10 95	.....	5 00	.....	.....	110 40
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	160 00	160 82	9 46	12 01	.....	10 00	25 00	10 00	.....	14 50	.....	336 79
Big Rapids, S. Andrews'	7 26	31 20	5 73	2 36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	49 65
Coldwater, S. Mark's	80 00	73 73	4 29	2 23	.....	.....	20 00	5 75	4 09	.....	.....	170 09
Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	20 00	45 14	3 75	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 75	.....	.....	80 64
Grand Haven, S. John's	40 00	46 65	5 25	4 17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	96 07
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	500 00	321 70	68 00	44 74	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	54 00	998 44
Grand Rapids, Grace	27 00	128 80	5 60	6 35	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	167 75
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	15 00	.....	3 60	3 80	.....	.....	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 40
Grand Rapids, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	5 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 05
Hastings, Emmanuel	63 70	61 11	6 47	9 10	.....	13 70	10 00	.....	3 96	.....	.....	148 32
Holland, Grace	....	11 80	.....	1 77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 57
Homer, Christ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ionia, S. John's	78 25	89 91	.....	13 98	.....	.....	.....	33 20	.....	.....	.....	215 34
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	402 00	218 55	44 04	26 34	.....	102 00	.....	14 00	.....	.....	.....	704 93
Ludington, Grace	5 00	1 71	.....	5 02	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 73
Manistee, Holy Trinity	.....	53 08	13 44	9 77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	76 29
Marshall, Trinity	96 10	73 94	25 40	.....	.....	.....	11 27	.....	.....	.....	10 00	205 44
Mendon, S. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	3 11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 11
Muskegon, S. Paul's	120 00	80 35	5 60	6 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	212 15
Niles, Trinity	99 55	145 43	.....	7 06	.....	16 00	65 00	7 00	.....	.....	.....	259 04
Saugatuck, All Saints	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Traverse City, Grace	18 00	18 00	3 30	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42 30
Union City, Grace	13 40	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 40
TOTAL	$ 1801 21	$ 1511 40	$ 220 40	$ 184 06	$	$ 143 70	$ 154 22	$69 95	$24 80	$14 50	$ 67 00	$ 3967 40

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.—WITHIN THE DIOCESE—Continued.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Diocesan Missions.	Convention Assessment.	Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Aid to Candidates for Holy Orders.	Woman's Auxiliary Aid in Diocese.	Sunday School Aid in the Diocese.	For Akeley Institute.	Deaf Mute Fund.	Diocesan Church Building Fund.	Other Objects.	TOTAL
Baldwin, S. Matthew's	$ 4 73	$	$	$ 2 10	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 6 83
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	10 00	27 22	2 32	5 21				1 50				46 25
Cassopolis, S. James'	2 19	4 14		2 09								8 42
Central Lake, S. Matthias'												
Charlevoix, Christ	25 41	3 84		3 00								32 25
Charlotte, Grace												
Coopersville, Epiphany												
East Jordan, Redeemer	3 90			1 00								4 90
Grand Rapids, S. John's		9 00		1 03								10 03
Grand Rapids, S. Matthew's		11 32										11 32
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's		98										98
Greenville, S. Paul's		20 11										20 11
Harbor Springs, S. John's												
Luther, Christ	10 59			1 00								11 59
Mancelona, Nativity	36 40			3 35				50				40 25
Muskegon, S. Luke's	12 50	3 36		1 00								16 86
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	11 50	21 87	2 88					2 50				38 75
Newaygo, S. Mark's		4 07		1 42				4 50				9 99
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	11 69											11 69
Pentwater, S. James'	83 50	4 05	2 85	4 00				5 75				100 15
Petoskey, Emmanuel		4 23	2 80									7 03
Quincy, S. John's												
Rockford, S. James'	6 48											6 48
Sturgis, S. James'	2 32	7 34	1 55	10 43								21 64
St. Joseph, S. Paul's				7 43								7 43
Three Rivers, Trinity	13 54	5 81		4 11								23 46
Tustin, S. Johannes'												
Whitehall, Redeemer	14 00	2 76										16 76
Total Missions	$ 246 75	$ 130 10	$ 12 40	$ 47 17	$	$	$	$14 75	$	$	$	$ 453 17
Unorganized Missions												
Schoolcraft, S. Stephen's	6 20		$	$ 1 56	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 7 76
Reed City	1 75											1 75
Portland	4 51											4 51
Total Unorganized Missions	$ 12 46	$	$	$ 1 56	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 14 02
Total Organized Missions	246 75	130 10	12 40	47 17				14 75				453 17
Total Parishes	1801 21	1511 40	220 40	184 06		143 70	154 22	69 95	24 80	14 50	67 00	3967 40
GRAND TOTAL	$ 2060 42	$ 1641 50	$ 232 80	$ 232 79	$	$ 143 70	$ 154 22	$84 70	$24 80	$ 14 50	$ 67 00	$ 4434 59

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PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Domestic Missions	Foreign Missions.	Colored Missions.	Indian Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Bible and Prayer Book Society.	American Church Building Fund.	General Clergy Relief.	By Sunday School.	By Women's Societies.	Other Objects.	Total Outside Diocese.	GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL PURPOSES.
Albion, S. James'	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 302 62
Allegan, Good Shepherd	64 84	64 84	.....	.....	1 25	2 09	.....	.....	47 68	70 00	19 00	152 02	2235 55
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	60 36	35 50	.....	3 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 00	50 00	.....	99 71	3802 45
Big Rapids, S. Andrew's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1239 49
Coldwater, S. Mark's	8 75	8 75	.....	.....	1 77	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	20 27	1332 34
Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	9 88	9 87	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25	13 15	.....	.....	20 90	762 43
Grand Haven, S. John's	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	1 73	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	21 73	1189 12
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	490 12	255 17	.....	.....	10 00	5 00	.....	.....	150 78	392 06	118 86	980 22	14900 52
Grand Rapids, Grace	13 00	13 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 00	.....	.....	20 00	8190 18
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1001 61
Grand Rapids, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1174 67
Hastings, Emmanuel	57 35	46 74	.....	.....	3 00	.....	5 00	3 98	30 03	30 00	.....	116 06	2202 37
Holland, Grace	7 13	7 12	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	14 25	.....	.....	16 25	412 86
Homer, Christ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	146 39
Ionia, S. John's	21 08	34 68	5 00	.....	2 61	.....	.....	.....	25 26	30 40	5 00	63 27	2446 09
Kalamazoo, S. Luke's	62 05	62 04	.....	.....	19 00	.....	.....	.....	50 09	24 00	17 03	160 12	6032 93
Ludington, Grace	2 95	2 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 90	666 64
Manistee, Holy Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 44	1462 61
Marshall, Trinity	86 23	119 22	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	95 35	.....	8 60	157 05	2270 61
Mendon, S. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	195 88
Muskegon, S. Paul's	1 50	6 83	.....	.....	2 46	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 79	3490 15
Niles, Trinity	11 00	11 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 00	.....	22 00	1924 68
Saugatuck, All Saints	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Traverse City, Grace	4 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	371 54
Union City, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 20
TOTAL	$ 910 24	$691 67	$ 8 00	$ 3 85	$ 46 26	$ 14 09	$ 5 00	$ 5 23	$480 59	$638 46	$168 49	$ 1898 73	$ 58676 93

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PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Colored Missions.	Indian Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Bible & Prayer Book Society.	Amer. Church Building Fund.	General Clergy Relief.	By Sunday School.	By Woman's Societies.	Other Objects.	Total Outside Diocese.	Grand Total for all Purposes.
Baldwin, S. Matthew's													$ 8 00
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	$ 4 56	$ 4 31			$ 46				$ 4 12			$ 9 33	617 95
Cassopolis, S. James'	78	77										1 55	9 97
Central Lake, S. Matthias'													
Charlevoix, Christ	5 06	5 06				$ 7 07			6 12			17 19	114 30
Charlotte, Grace													
Coopersville, Epiphany													
East Jordan, Redeemer	70	70										1 40	68 18
Grand Rapids, S. John's													395 53
Grand Rapids, S. Matthew's													116 02
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's													2 91
Greenville, S. Paul's	3 75	3 74							7 49			2 49	274 50
Harbor Springs, S. John's													
Luther, Christ	1 00											1 00	48 16
Mancelona, Nativity	6 74	6 73							13 47			13 47	70 22
Muskegon, S. Luke's		6 53							6 53			6 53	140 11
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	4 27								4 27			4 27	675 03
Newaygo, S. Mark's	1 60	1 00				1 20						3 80	200 39
Paw Paw, S. Mark's													11 69
Pentwater, S. James'	3 70	3 69							4 09			5 74	269 54
Petoskey, Emmanuel													837 19
Quincy, S. John's													
Rockford, S. James'							3 00					3 00	21 43
Sturgis, S. James'	7 00	5 00							10 00			12 00	404 98
St. Joseph, S. Paul's													119 73
Tustin, S. Johannes													
Three Rivers, Trinity	55	54			1 02							2 11	208 85
Whitehall, Redeemer	63	62										1 25	18 01
	$ 40 34	$38 69			$ 1 48	$ 8 27	$ 3 00		$56 09			$ 89 13	$ 4,632 61
UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.													
Schoolcraft, S. Stephen's	7 16	1 66										9 82	63 08
Reed City													3 75
Grand Ledge	45	45											90
Portland													33 88
Total Unorganized Missions	$ 7 61	$ 2 11			1 48	8 27	3 00		56 09			$ 9 82	$ 101 61
Total Organized Missions	40 34	38 69										89 13	4,632 61
Total Parishes	910 24	691 67	8 00	3 85	46 26	14 09	5 00	5 23	480 59	638 46	168 49	1,898 73	58,676 93
Grand Total	$ 958 19	732 47	$ 8 00	$ 3 85	$47 74	$22 36	$ 8 00	$ 5 23	536 68	638 46	168 49	$1,997 68	$ 63,421 15

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—MEMBERSHIP.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Families.	Adults.	Children.	Total.	Whole Number Baptized.	Baptisms. Infants.	Baptisms. Adults.	Baptisms. Total.	Confirmed During the Year.	Whole Number Confirmed.	COMMUNICANTS. Last Report.	Added.	Lost.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Celebrations Public.	Celebrations Private.	Public Services. Sundays.	Holy Days.	Week Days.	Total.	Marriages.	Burials.	SUNDAY SCHOOL. Teachers. Male.	Teachers. Female.	Teachers. Total.	Scholars. Male.	Scholars. Female.	Scholars. Total.	Average Attendance.	Number Books in Library.
Albion, S. James'	* 54	90	20	110	102	...	...	...	...	90	90	...	...	...	...	90	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Allegan, Good Shepherd	67	180	57	237	187	3	5	8	15	130	112	18	...	38	92	130	16	....	105	10	55	170	6	4	6	8	14	36	50	86	60	260
Battle Creek, S. Thomas'	190	460	242	702	600	23	15	38	30	300	270	36	25	72	209	281	45	16	125	80	42	247	8	8	3	15	18	70	90	160	98	165
Big Rapids, S. Andrew's	25	140	75	215	†150	12	...	12	5	110	74	3	7	14	56	70	82	....	90	49	40	188	2	8	1	7	8	20	28	48	30	150
Coldwater, S. Mark's	96	....	....	†300	†200	9	1	10	....	152	143	11	2	45	107	152	60	....	128	17	43	188	6	12	3	7	10	...	...	80	48	345
Elk Rapids, S. Paul's	36	82	39	121	102	1	1	2	5	63	64	6	7	20	43	63	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	3	4	15	18	33	20	25
Grand Haven, S. John's	50	150	80	210	200	9	1	10	4	130	123	16	12	45	82	127	93	3	150	54	76	280	2	....	1	5	6	20	24	44	30	100
Grand Rapids, S. Mark's	420	915	425	1340	1280	43	12	55	28	800	719	52	36	...	...	735	101	6	321	79	362	762	22	31	9	12	21	...	...	...	...	.....
Grand Rapids, Grace	175	....	....	†500	500	12	1	13	7	‡317	310	7	...	71	246	317	85	4	104	26	120	250	6	12	6	14	20	...	...	230	145	.....
Grand Rapids, S. Paul's	70	147	69	216	210	5	7	12	24	132	93	44	14	30	93	123	71	3	144	19	60	223	8	7	5	8	13	30	57	87	72	300
Grand Rapids, Trinity	159	220	35	414	†350	10	7	17	6	263	259	16	5	82	163	245	63	....	123	10	17	150	27	11	2	7	9	62	101	183	82	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	106	184	107	291	271	15	8	23	9	128	115	13	4	24	100	124	50	2	150	19	68	237	4	11	2	13	15	50	72	122	65	.....
Holland, Grace	40	45	50	95	† 75	10	...	10	2	‡ 42	40	4	3	12	30	42	6	....	42	4	12	58	1	1	4	3	7	12	23	35	20	.....
Homer, Christ	28	55	20	75	† 70	...	...	...	....	56	72	...	2	25	31	56	1	....	60	....	....	....	1	1	4	7	11	12	31	43	....	100
Ionia, S. John's	112	212	90	302	216	8	4	12	14	163	157	16	10	40	117	163	22	....	149	13	61	223	9	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Kalamazoo, S Luke's	250	....	....	†600	†500	16	8	24	21	‡405	446	21	62	85	320	405	70	8	160	30	81	271	10	25	3	12	15	...	...	125	80	.....
Ludington, Grace	53	78	39	117	67	14	4	18	15	76	61	25	45	10	58	68	8	2	100	4	67	171	2	3	2	7	9	28	35	63	31	300
Manistee, Holy Trinity	80	190	280	550	550	28	9	37	24	‡180	160	42	22	65	115	180	118	7	153	46	97	296	7	9	4	5	9	40	55	90	60	50
Marshall, Trinity	100	....	....	†350	†250	6	2	8	17	‡164	160	19	13	...	...	160	30	2	116	5	58	179	6	12	4	9	13	35	65	100	.....	.....
Mendon, S. Paul's	27	62	20	82	41	3	7	10	9	28	15	10	...	8	17	25	1	2	30	1	3	34	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Muskegon, S. Paul's	122	319	196	515	423	18	7	25	9	217	202	16	10	59	149	208	71	1	144	38	47	229	6	7	3	6	9	43	84	127	63	.....
Niles, Trinity	141	269	137	406	†350	15	5	20	19	255	250	20	15	75	180	255	66	12	90	16	80	192	8	16	3	10	13	50	90	140	100	.....
Saugatuck, All Saints'	* 30	75	35	110	100	...	...	...	...	42	20	...	...	4	16	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Traverse City, Grace	28	83	35	118	100	8	1	9	5	52	38	8	6	4	36	40	23	1	121	10	8	139	2	6	1	2	3	4	10	14	10	200
Union City, Grace	10	....	....	27	25	...	1	1	2	21	18	3	2	3	16	19	3	1	6	....	....	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Total	2469	....	....	7803	6919	268	102	370	260	4316	4114	406	312	..	....	4102	1085	55	2626	534	1497	4657	114	195	67	160	227	..	...	1806	....	.....

* Last Year's Report. † Estimated. ‡ Same as Number of Communicants.

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—MEMBERSHIP, Continued.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Families.	Adults.	Children.	Total.	Whole Number Baptized.	Baptisms			Confirmed During the Year.	Whole Number of Confirmed.	COMMUNICANTS.						Celebrations Public.	Celebrations Private.	Public Services.				Marriages.	Burials.	Sunday School.						Average Attendance.	No. Books in Library.
						Infants.	Adults.	Total.			Last Report.	Added.	Lost.	Male.	Female.	Total.			Sundays.	Holy Days.	Week Days.	Total.			Teachers			Scholars				
																									Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.		
Baldwin, S. Matthew's	6	14	10	24	18	12	...	12	....	8	7	...	...	...	...	7	1	....	3	...	4	7	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	41	103	47	150	146	5	3	8	4	71	101	6	18	19	42	61	15	3	102	7	42	151	3	5	1	4	5	15	22	37	30	200
Cassopolis, S. James'	12	17	10	27	24	2	...	2	2	20	15	3	3	3	12	15	3	....	6	...	2	8	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Central Lake, S. Matthias'	10	50	10	60	25	5	...	5	....	12	14	1	3	4	8	12	3	....	4	...	15	19	...	1	..	..	..	..	..	25	....	....
Charlevoix, Christ	20	31	49	80	†60	7	...	7	....	37	36	1	1	8	29	37	4	....	12	...	1	13	...	...	1	4	5	15	31	46	31	....
Charlotte, Grace	*43	92	50	142	104	...	...	...	....	75	....	...	...	...	...	68	....	....	....	...	....	....	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Coopersville, Epiphany	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
East Jordan, Redeemer	14	44	16	60	45	....	....	....	....	24	24	3	3	....	....	24	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Grand Rapids, S. John's	30	....	....	....	....	8	3	11	3	‡27	25	2	....	8	19	27	15	....	100	....	....	20	....	....	3	13	16	....	....	95	65	....
Grand Rapids, S. Matthew's	19	40	14	54	†54	9	1	10	....	‡54	30	...	8	14	40	54	2	....	49	...	9	58	...	2	1	8	9	27	48	75	50	....
Grand Rapids, S. Beda's	9	25	20	45	41	2	1	3	3	15	12	5	2	8	7	15	3	....	41	...	27	68	...	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Greenville, S. Paul's	23	49	33	82	82	5	...	5	....	55	39	3	1	15	35	50	2	....	14	...	10	24	...	1	2	5	7	11	21	32	16	200
Harbor Springs, S. John's	....	....	....	....	....	1	...	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	*8	3	....	8	...	...	8	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Luther, Christ	15	27	17	44	30	...	1	1	2	‡20	17	3	....	....	....	20	4	....	12	...	3	15	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Mancelona, Nativity	14	30	15	45	40	4	5	9	5	15	7	7	...	4	10	14	4	....	8	...	5	13	...	...	..	2	2	..	..	15	....	....
Muskegon, S. Luke's	26	59	71	140	99	7	...	7	....	40	35	2	3	9	25	34	14	....	64	4	55	123	...	3	2	7	9	33	46	79	41	....
Mt. Pleasant, S. John's	44	76	73	149	130	8	4	12	....	68	63	6	7	7	60	67	20	5	96	32	25	153	4	4	1	8	9	30	32	62	....	....
Newaygo, S. Mark's	33	50	35	85	75	1	2	3	4	45	40	4	4	10	30	40	8	....	25	...	3	28	...	1	2	4	6	..	..	75	50	....
Paw Paw, S. Mark's	10	....	....	26	22	....	....	....	....	18	17	....	3	1	13	14	2	....	4	....	1	5	1	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Pentwater, S. James'	35	50	30	80	70	8	5	13	11	55	37	13	7	8	37	45	10	....	26	2	6	34	...	7	1	4	5	..	..	50	40	....
Petoskey, Emmanuel	*54	114	68	182	163	....	....	....	....	85	85	....	....	....	....	85	....	....	77	...	53	130	...	...	2	6	8	..	..	47	....	....
Quincy, S. John's	21	36	40	76	62	....	....	....	....	22	22	....	....	....	....	22	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Rockford, S. James'	10	14	3	17	17	....	....	....	....	14	22	...	8	2	12	14	5	....	18	...	1	19	...	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Sturgis, S. James'	39	83	45	128	†100	1	2	3	11	52	33	...	...	...	...	35	7	1	60	11	37	108	3	1	3	4	7	..	..	30	20	....
St. Joseph, S. Paul's	26	55	14	69	56	2	...	2	12	42	....	37	....	....	26	37	2	....	29	1	4	34	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Tustin, S. Johannes	* 5	15	8	23	23	....	....	....	....	10	10	....	....	4	6	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Three Rivers, Trinity	25	51	14	65	53	1	...	1	3	32	18	8	4	5	17	22	7	....	99	4	8	111	...	1	2	5	7	8	11	19	14	52
Whitehall, Redeemer	15	20	10	30	25	1	...	1	....	20	20	...	...	3	17	20	7	1	19	...	3	22	...	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
Total	599	1145	702	1883	1544	89	27	116	60	936	....	104	75	...	...	858	141	10	876	61	314	1251	12	34	21	64	100	..	..	687	....	....

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—MEMBERSHIP, Continued.

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Families.	Adults.	Children.	Total.	Whole Number Baptized.	Baptisms. Infants.	Baptisms. Adults.	Baptisms. Total.	Confirmed During the Year.	Whole Number of Confirmed.	COMMUNICANTS. Last Report.	Added.	Lost.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Celebrations, Public.	Celebrations, Private.	Public Services. Sundays.	Holy Days.	Week Days.	Total.	Marriages.	Burials.	Sunday School. Teachers. Male.	Female.	Total.	Scholars. Male.	Female.	Total.	Aver. Attendance.	No. Books in Library.
Schoolcraft, S. Stephen's	15	26	6	32	32	...	...	...	...	23	24	...	4	...	20	20	...	4	...	9	...	5	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....
Reed City	8	12	8	20	15	...	...	...	2	10	7	2	2	2	5	7	1	....	3	...	4	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....
Grand Ledge	9	....	....	25	20	...	...	...	1	13	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Portland	9	....	....	24	24	2	1	3	2	16	....	....	....	3	10	13	2	1	6	...	10	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....
Stanton, Grace	*5	11	7	18	17	...	...	...	....	9	9	...	...	1	8	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Grand Rapids, S. Luke's	25	60	30	90	†60	2	8	10	....	22	....	....	....	....	....	27	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	5	6	11	13	24	15	....
Scattering Communicants	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	52	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total Unorganized Missions	71	108	51	209	52	4	9	13	5	93	40	2	6	...	...	136	7	4	18	...	19	37	...	...	1	5	6	11	13	24	...	....
Total Organized Missions	599	1145	702	1883	1544	89	27	116	60	936	....	104	75	...	...	858	141	10	876	61	314	1251	12	34	21	64	100	...	...	687	...	....
Total Parishes	2469	....	....	7803	6949	268	102	370	266	4316	4114	406	312	...	...	4102	1085	55	2626	534	1497	4657	114	195	67	160	227	...	...	1806	...	....
Grand Total	3139	....	....	9895	8545	361	138	499	8346	5345	....	512	393	...	...	5196	1233	69	3520	595	1820	5915	126	229	...	...	333	...	...	2517	...	....

* Last Report. † Estimated. § Bishop's Report.

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APPENDIX E—MISCELLANEOUS.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1896.

CLERGY—		
Bishop	1	
Priests	29	
Deacons	3	
		33
Ordinations to the Diaconate		3
Candidates for Priests' Orders		2
Postulants		3
Lay Readers Licensed		9
Number of Church Buildings		49
Churches Consecrated		3
Corner Stones Laid		0
Missions Organized		3
Number of Parishes		26
Organized Missions		28
Unorganized Missions		8
Number of places where services are held		62
BAPTISMS—		
Infants	361	
Adults	138	
		499
Confirmations, Bishop's Report		346
Marriages		126
Burials		229
No. Families reported		3139
No. of Souls reported		9895
No. of Baptized Persons reported		8545
Sunday School Teachers and Officers reported		227
Sunday School Scholars reported		2517
Whole number of Confirmed reported		5543
Communicants reported		5196

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY—

Churches and Chapels	$433,350 00	
Rectories	43,550 00	
Other Property	58,798 00	
Total Property		$535,698 00
Total Insurance carried		194,800 00
Total Indebtedness		64,256 93

SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—

Communion Alms	$ 781 88	
Salaries and Current Expenses, including Insurance and Interest	41,547 65	
Increase of Church Property	1,249 34	
Reduction of Indebtedness	9,424 75	
For Sunday Schools	730 66	
Balance in hands of Treasurers	2,383 91	
Total		$ 53,141 51

FOR DIOCESAN OBJECTS—

Diocesan Missions	$ 2,060 42	
Diocesan Assessment	1,641 50	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	232 80	
Bishop's Trust Fund	232 79	
By Woman's Auxiliary	143 70	
By Sunday Schools	154 22	
Deaf Mute Fund	24 80	
Akeley Institute	84 70	
Other objects in the Diocese	81 56	
Total,		$ 4,434 59

FOR OBJECTS EXTERIOR TO THE DIOCESE—

Domestic Missions	$ 958 19	
Foreign Missions	732 47	
Missions to Colored People	8 00	
Indian Missions	3 85	
Jewish Missions	47 74	
Bible and Prayer Book Society	22 36	
American Church Building Fund	8 00	
General Clergy Relief	5 23	
By Women's Societies	638 46	
By Sunday Schools	536 68	
Other objects	168 49	
Total		$ 1,997 68
Total for all purposes, including balances		$ 63,421 15

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ASSESSMENT FOR 1896.

— OF —

Parishes and Missions in the Diocese of Western Michigan.

RATE 6 PER CENT.

Albion	S. James'	$ 286 12	$ 17 17
Allegan	Good Shepherd	1,491 03	89 46
Battle Creek	S. Thomas'	2,759 85	165 59
Big Rapids	S. Andrew's	1,171 27	70 28
Coldwater	S. Mark's	1,141 98	68 52
Elk Rapids	S. Paul's	610 82	36 65
Grand Haven	S. John's	998 21	59 89
Grand Rapids	S. Mark's	6,426 30	385 58
Grand Rapids	Grace	2,555 00	153 30
Grand Rapids	S. Paul's	928 40	55 70
Grand Rapids	Trinity	1,150 00	69 00
Hastings	Emmanuel	1,144 23	68 65
Holland	Grace	342 67	20 56
Homer	Christ	71 39	4 28
Ionia	S. John's	1,700 60	102 04
Kalamazoo	S. Luke's	4,584 03	275 04
Ludington	Grace	469 98	28 20
Manistee	Holy Trinity	1,111 75	66 71
Marshall	Trinity	1,369 83	82 19
Mendon	S. Paul's	191 66	11 50
Muskegon	S. Paul's	2,591 09	155 46
Niles	Trinity	1,643 64	98 62
Traverse City	Grace	361 24	21 67
Union City	Grace	1 80	11
Benton Harbor	Holy Trinity	535 35	32 12
Charlevoix	Christ	38 29	2 30
Grand Rapids	S. John's	87 00	5 22
Grand Rapids	S. Matthew's	63 96	3 84
Grand Rapids	S. Beda's	11 93	72
Greenville	S. Paul's	230 75	13 84
Harbor Springs	S. John's	104 76	6 29
Luther	Christ	34 57	2 07
Mancelona	Nativity	51 40	3 08
Muskegon	S. Luke's	91 72	5 50
Mt. Pleasant	S. John's	562 24	33 73
Newaygo	S. Mark's	161 70	9 70
Pentwater	S. James'	115 50	6 93
Petoskey	Emmanuel	762 16	45 73
Quincy	S. John's	72 12	4 33
Rockford	S. James'	11 95	72
Sturgis	S. James'	343 20	20 59
Three Rivers	Trinity	184 28	11 06
		$ 38,565 77	$ 2,313 94

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A Calendar for the Conventional Year.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

It shall be the duty of the minister of every parish, mission and congregation in the Diocese to make a collection for Diocesan missions once a month, or by stated pledge from the members of the parish or congregation, and remit the proceeds to the treasurer of the Board of Missions of the Diocese quarterly. Canon XIX, Sec. 4.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity—A discourse on Cruelty to Animals, (Epistle).

Sunday before July 4—Some National topic.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity—Offering for Deaf Mute Missions, (Gospel)

Sunday after September Ember Days—Offering for the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.

September—The Convocations meet.

October—Prison Sunday, as appointed.

November—Second Sunday, offering for American Church Building Fund Commission. The Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference.

Thanksgiving Day—The suggestion of a sermon on Civil Service Reform has the endorsement of a number of Bishops.

The Eve of S. Andrew's Day—Intercession for Missions.

Advent Sunday—Offering for Domestic Missions.

Christmas Day—Offerings for Diocesan Fund for the Disabled Clergy, etc. Canon XIV, Sec. 1.

Second Sunday after the Epiphany—Offerings for Foreign Missions.

First Sunday after the Epiphany—Schools and Colleges.

Sundays after Epiphany—Offerings in Sunday Schools for Church Building in the Diocese.

Wednesday before Quinquagesima Sunday—The Quiet Day for the Clergy.

Good Friday—Offering for Jewish Missions.

The week after the first Sunday after Easter—The Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference.

Fourth Sunday after Easter—Offerings for Indian Missions and Missions for Colored People.

Whitsunday—Offerings for Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies.

Changes Since Convention.

The Rev. E. M. Duff has resigned S. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids, and been transferred to Minnesota.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., has resigned S. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids.

The Rev. Carl Reed Taylor has been ordained Priest.

Louis S. Joy, M. D. has been licensed as Lay Reader for Trinity Church, Marshall.

The Rev. L. C. Rogers has resigned the charge of S. John's Church Grand Haven.

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THE

Twenty-third Annual Convention

OF THE

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN

Will be Held in S. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, commencing on TUESDAY, JUNE 1st, A. D. 1897, at half-past 7 p. m.

J. N. RIPPEY, Secretary.

A FORM OF BEQUEST.

To the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, a body Corporate under the Laws of the State of Michigan, and empowered to receive and hold any property, real or personal, for the use and benefit of said Diocese:

I hereby give, devise and bequeath, unto the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan the sum of.....Dollars for

(a) The uses and purposes of said Association; or

(b) For the uses of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen and Widows and Orphans of the Clergy; or

(c) For the uses of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese; or

(d) For the Missions of the Diocese; or

(e) For the Rectory Building Fund, or for any other specific use of the Diocese; or

(f) For.....Parish.....the annual proceeds thereof to be devoted to the support of the Rector, or to repairs of the Church or to any other Parochial object specified.

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IN THE

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN

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ON

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COMMITTEES:

To Report to Next Convention on Methods of Raising Pledges for Diocesan Missions.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft.
The Rev. Wm. E. Wright.
The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.
Mr. A. C. Torrey.

ON ASSESSMENTS.

Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Mr. E. T. Montgomery.
Mr. W. H. Tibbs.

ON DIOCESAN LIBRARY.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas.
The Rev. H. P. Vicborn.
Mr. H. F. Cornell.

ON COMMUNICATION OF SECRETARY OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Rev. Sydney Beckwith.
The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes.

Important to Parishes.

The Corporate term of existence of a Parish, like most other corporations, is thirty years only. (*See Constitution of the State of Michigan, Art. XV; Sec. 10.*) (*See Law of 1897 in Appendix.*)

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DIGEST OF THE CANONS.

TITLE I—CANON 18.

GENERAL REGULATION OF MINISTERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

§ 1. [1] It is hereby required that, on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form or to this effect:

We, the Church Wardens (or in case of an Assistant Minister, we, the Rector and Church Wardens), to the Right Rev. (naming the Bishop) or to the Rev. (naming the President of the Standing Committee) that (naming the person) has been duly chosen Rector (or Assistant Minister, as the case may be) of (naming the Parish or Church).

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of those who certify.

N. B.—The *date* of election to the Rectorship should be given in the Canonical notice sent to the Bishop.

§ 2. No minister moving from one Diocese or Missionary District to another shall officiate as the Rector or Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate in the words following:

I do hereby certify that the Rev. A—— B—— has been Canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a minister in regular standing.

TITLE II.—CANON 12.

REGULATIONS RESPECTING THE LAITY.

§ 1. A Communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a Communicant until such letter shall be produced.

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

CANON VII—OF VACANT CHURCHES.

SECTION 1. Whenever a Church becomes vacant it shall be the duty of the Vestry to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop.

SEC. 2. Prior to the election of a Minister to any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall inform the Bishop of the name and residence of the person they propose to elect; and it shall be unlawful for the Parish or Vestry to take action on any name until the receipt of the Bishop's acknowledgment of such notification and of his accompanying suggestion, if there be any: Provided, he be at the time within the territory of the United States, and that his reply be not deferred longer than thirty days after the receipt of such notification. On the election of a Minister, they shall deliver or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, a notice of the same; and if the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee be satisfied that the person so chosen be a qualified Minister of the Church, and accepts the same, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall transmit the said certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book for that purpose, and such

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record shall be legal evidence of the certified relationship between the Minister and the Parish. If, after the expiration of six months the Vestry of the Church which has become vacant shall fail to call or settle a Minister, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to appoint one, and he shall notify the Vestry of such appointment, and upon their concurrence, the Minister so appointed shall become Rector of the Church.

SEC. 3. The Bishop may appoint Clergy in the Diocese, or others who can with most convenience discharge the duty, to supply such Vacant Parishes, at such time as may be deemed convenient and proper. It shall be the duty of such vacant churches thus supplied to defray all the expenses incidental to such occasional services.

THE BISHOP'S TRUST FUND.

Resolved, That at the Episcopal visitations the offerings, after the Bishop's travelling expenses have been paid, be hereafter devoted to a Bishop's Trust Fund.—Convention, 1889.

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DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN
A. D., 1897.

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

The Right Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., Grand Rapids.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Muskegon.
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, Assistant Secretary.

REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE.

The Rev. A. E. Wells, Traverse City.

TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION, OF THE CHRISTMAS FUND.

Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery, Ionia.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne, President.
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, Secretary.

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The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, M. D.
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.
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THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Right Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., President, Grand Rapids.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, Secretary, Niles.
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The Rev. Wm. Lucas.
The Rev. Sydney Beckwith.
Mr. Charles R. Wilkes.
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Mr. George W. Cole.
Mr. J. E. Nelson.

DEPUTIES OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Rev. —— ——
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs.
The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne.
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft.
Mr. Wm. B. Williams.
Mr. D. G. Robinson.
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Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.

PROVISIONAL DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Rev. Jas. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.
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Mr. Horace F. Cornell.
Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Mr. Geo. Willard.

COURT OF APPEALS.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft.
Mr. N. P. Loveridge.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

The Rev. P. W. Mosher, in charge of "The First Examination."
The Rev. M. H. Martin, in charge of "The Second Examination."
The Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., in charge of "The Third Examination."
The Rev. Lewis Brown, in charge of "The Examination of the literary qualifications of a Postulant or Candidate, and of a Candidate for the office and ministration of a Deacon only.

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The Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION EX-OFFICIO.

The Bishop, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the Registrar, the members of the Standing Committee and of the Board of Missions, and the following members elected by the Convention:

Mr. Fred. A. Gorham. Mr. Noah P. Loveridge.
Mr. W. J. Stuart.

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President—The Right Reverend, the Bishop.
Secretary—The Secretary of the Convention.
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THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D.
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SEMI-ANNUAL MISSIONARY MEETING AND DIOCESAN CHURCH CONFERENCE.

Secretary and Treasurer—Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Benton Harbor.

MEMBERS OF THE MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

The Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D.
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For Foreign Missions—The Rev. A. H. Locke, Grand Rapids.
Nashotah House—The Rev. W. E. Wright, B. D, Big Rapids
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A LIST OF THE CLERGY.

In the Order of Their Canonical Residence.

THE RT. REV. GEORGE DE NORMANDIE GILLESPIE, D. D.
Consecrated February 24, 1875.

NAME.	RECEIVED.	FROM WHAT DIOCESE.
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, A. B.....	Dec. 2, 1874..	..... Michigan
The Rev. Moseley Morris.....	Dec. 2, 1874..	..... Michigan
The Rev. John Newton Rippey, M. D	Nov. 30, 1884..	.....Southern Ohio
The Rev. J. Rice Taylor, M. A.....	Feb. 20, 1885..	.....Vermont
The Rev. Henry Hughes	Sept. 6, 1886..	..... Michigan
The Rev. Woodford P. Law.....	Nov. 26, 1887..	..... Iowa
The Rev. Albert E. Wells, B. D.....	April 3, 1888..	..... Nebraska
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.	April 17, 1888..	.Central New York
The Rev. Wm. H. VanAntwerp, D. D.	Oct. 15, 1889..	..... Iowa
The Rev. H. H. Johnston.....	Nov. 11, 1889..	...Toronto, Canada
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.....	Feb. 21, 1890..	..... Nebraska
The Rev. Marcus H. Martin, A. M...	Jan. 15, 1891..	..... Ohio
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, S. T. B.	Jan. 29, 1891..	..... Albany
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, M. A....	Jan. 31, 1891..	..... Albany
The Rev. Thomas Hines.....	Oct. 14, 1891..	..... Chicago
The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne.....	Feb. 25, 1892..	.....Ohio
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff	Oct. 1, 1892..	..... Michigan
The Rev. W. E. Wright, B. D.....	Mar. 28, 1893..	..... Long Island
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, Ph. D...	May 5, 1893..	..... Long Island
The Rev. L. C. Rogers.....	Nov. 5, 1893..	..... Michigan
The Rev. W. Westover	May 22, 1894..	..... Quincy
The Rev. Lewis Brown	Feb. 7, 1894..	.....Southern Ohio
The Rev. Sydney Beckwith	Aug. 14, 1894..	..... Michigan
The Rev. Karl G. Oppen, D. D.....	Oct. 21, 1894..	.....Milwaukee
The Rev. Herbert Sowerby	Mar. 26, 1895..	..... Shanghai
The Rev. William Lucas.....	June 4, 1895..	.....The Platte
The Rev. Carl R. Taylor.....	June 23, 1895..	..... Ordination
The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall.....	Dec. 22, 1895..	..... Ordination
The Rev. Artemas Wetherbee.....	Nov. 5, 1896..	..... Michigan
The Rev. Charles R. Hodge.....	Dec. 3, 1896..	.....Indiana
The Rev. Herman P. Vicborn.....	Dec. 7, 1896..	..... Texas
The Rev. J. W. Armstrong	Jan. 28, 1897..	.....Ohio
The Rev. Arthur H. Locke.....	Feb. 4, 1897..	..... Albany
The Rev. Charles D. Atwell.....	May, 21, 1897..	.Central New York

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CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN, JUNE 1, 1897.

Those marked * are not entitled to seats in the Convention—Constitution, ART. VI. Those in italics were not present.

BISHOP.

The Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bisphop of the Diocese (Consecrated St. Matthias' Day, February 24th, A. D, 1875.) Episcopal Residence, 162 Fountain Street, Grand Rapids.

PRESBYTERS.

Armstrong, Jean W., Missionary, Emmanuel Church, Petoskey.
Atwell, Charles D., Rector Emmanuel Church, Hastings.
Bancroft, Joseph W., A. B., General Missionary, Kalamazoo Convocation, Hastings.
Beckwith, Sydney, Rector Trinity Church, Marshall.
Brown, Lewis, B. D., Rector St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek.
Claiborne, Robert R, Rector St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo.
Gairdner, R. H. Fortescue, Rector Trinity Church, Niles, and in charge of St. James' Mission, Cassopolis, and of St. Alban's Mission, Dowagiac.
Hines, Thomas, Rector Holy Trinity Church, Manistee.
Hodge, Charles R., Ass't Min. St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids.
Hubbs, J. Brewster, A. B., S. T. B., Rector Grace Church, and in charge of St. John's Mission, Grand Rapids.
**Hughes, Henry*, Coldwater.
Johnston, Henry H., Rector Trinity Church, Grand Rapids.
Law, Woodford P., General Missionary, Grand Rapids Convocation, Grand Rapids.
*Locke, Arthur H., Rector St. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids.
Lucas, William, Rector Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan.
Martin, Marcus H., A. M., Ass't Min. Grace Church, Grand Rapids.
Morris, Moseley, Kalamazoo.
Mosher, Phillip W., A. M., Rector St. Paul's Church, and in charge of St. Luke's Mission, Muskegon.
**Oppen, Carl E. G.*, Chicago.
Rippey, John N., M. D, Missionary St. Paul's Mission, Greenville.
**Rogers, Lewis C.*
Sowerby, Herbert, Rector St. Mark's Church, Coldwater.
Taylor, J. Rice, M. A., Saugatuck.
Taylor, Carl R, Rector St. Paul's Church, Mendon, and Missionary St. James' Mission, Sturgis.
Thomas, William H., D D., Rector St. John's Church, Ionia.
Van Antwerp, William H., D. D., Rector Grace Church, Holland.
*Vicborn, Herman P, Rector St. James' Church, Albion.
Wells, Albert E., B. D., Rector Grace Church, Traverse City.
Westover, William, Missionary St. John's Mission, Mt. Pleasant.
Wetherbee, Artemas, Missionary St. Stephen's Mission, Schoolcraft.
Wilkinson, James E., Ph. D., Chaplain Akeley Institute, and in charge of St. John's Church, Grand Haven.
Woodruff, Montgomery S, Missionary Holy Trinity Mission, Benton Harbor, and St. Paul's Mission, St. Joseph. Benton Harbor.
Wright, William E., A. M., B. D., Rector St. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids.

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DEACONS.

Mendenhall, Cyrus, Chaplain House of Correction, Ionia.

OFFICIATING IN THE DIOCESE.

Mann, Austin W., General Missionary to deaf mutes, Gambier, Ohio.
Reeves, Abraham, M. D., officiating at St. John's Mission, Grand Rapids.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES

KNOWN TO BE PRESENT AND WHO ANSWERED ROLL CALL.

Albion, St. James,' George W. Cole.
Allegan, Good Shepherd, C. R. Wilkes.
Battle Creek, St. Thomas,' John E. Nelson.
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's, Horatio B. Lewis.
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's, F. A. Gorham, Wm. J. Stuart, A. C. Torrey.
Grand Rapids, Grace, Jacob Kleinhans.
Hastings, Emmanuel, D. G. Robinson.
Ionia, St. John's, Harry E Spenser, Ethan T. Montgomery, Clifford W. Parsons.
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's, Horace F. Cornell, David Fisher.
Muskegon, St. Paul's, Sidney S. Morris.
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's, Edwin Andlin.
Pentwater, St. James,' Eben P. S. Miller.
Rockford, St. James,' George T. Saunders.
Three Rivers, Trinity, C. E. Jameson.

THE CONVOCATIONS.

KALAMAZOO.

Secretary—REV. C. R. TAYLOR, Sturgis.

GRAND RAPIDS.

Secretary—REV. WOODFORD P. LAW, Grand Rapids.

List of Parishes, and when admitted to the Convention, and of Missions and of their date of organization.

KALAMAZOO CONVOCATION—Population, 334,198.

PARISHES.

Albion, St. James'	Admitted	1840
Allegan, *Good Shepherd	"	1860
Battle Creek, *†St. Thomas'	"	1842
Coldwater, †St. Mark's	"	1848
Hastings, †Emmanuel	"	1864
Homer, Christ	"	1841
Kalamazoo, *†St. Luke's	"	1838
Marshall, *Trinity	"	1836
Mendon, St. Paul's	"	1867
Niles, *Trinity	"	1834
Saugatuck, All Saints	"	1869
Union City, Grace	"	1865

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ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	Organized	1882
Cassopolis, ‡St. James'	"	1891
Charlotte, Grace	Reorg'niz'd	1888
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	Organized	1897
Quincy, St. John's	"	1882
Sturgis, ‡St. James'	"	1890
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	"	1891
Three Rivers, Trinity	"	1896
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	"	1896

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Otsego, Schoolcraft, Portland.

SUSPENDED PARISHES.

Kalamazoo, St. John's	Date of Suspension	1884
St. Joseph, ¶Christ	"	1879
Burr Oak, Grace	"	1880
Paw Paw, ¶St. Mark's	"	1891
Three Rivers, ¶Trinity	"	18..

MISSIONS.

South Haven, Trinity	Date of Suspension	1884
Plainwell, Trinity	"	1883
Eaton Rapids, St. Matthias	"	1891

¶Organized Missions.

GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION—Population, 483,031.

PARISHES.

Big Rapids, *St. Andrew's	Admitted	1873
Elk Rapids, *St. Paul's	"	1871
Grand Haven, *St. John's	"	1866
Grand Rapids, *St. Mark's	"	1836
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	"	1872
Grand Rapids, *Grace	"	1879
Grand Rapids, Trinity	"	1886
Holland, Grace	"	1868
Ionia, †St. John's	"	1841
Ludington, Grace	"	1883
Muskegon, *†St. Paul's	"	1867
Manistee, *Holy Trinity	"	1889
Traverse City, Grace	"	1877

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Baldwin, *St. Matthew's	Organized	1879
Coopersville, Epiphany	"	1877
Charlevoix, Christ's	"	1887
Central Lake, St. Matthias'	"	1893
East Jordan, Redeemer	"	1887
Greenville, St. Paul's	"	1881
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	"	1893
Harbor Springs, St. John's	"	1883
Hart, St. Andrew's	"	1897
Luther, Christ	"	1896
Mancelona, Nativity	"	1896
Mt. Pleasant, *St. John's	"	1886
Muskegon, St. Luke's	"	1890
Newaygo, St. Mark's	"	1876
North Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's	"	1892

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Pentwater, St. James	"	1877
Petoskey, Emmanuel	"	1887
Rockford, St. James'	"	1887
South Grand Rapids, St. John's	"	1892
Tustin, St. Johannes	"	....
Whitehall, Redeemer	"	1892

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Lyons, Grand Ledge, Reed City, Sherman, Frankfort, Clare.

SUSPENDED PARISHES.

Courtland, St. Paul	1877
Plainfield, Christ	1877
¶Greenville St. Paul's	1879
¶Whitehall, Redeemer	1891

MISSIONS.

Howard City	1884
Evart, St. Paul's	1891
Stanton, Grace	1892
Farwell, Trinity	1882
Hersey, Grace	1882

¶Organized Missions.

TOTAL—Parishes, 25; Organized Missions, 29; whole number of places where services are held, 61.

Table of population by Counties and Convocations, according to the State Census of 1894.

KALAMAZOO CONVOCATION.

Allegan	39,189	Cass	21,176
Barry	23,699	Eaton	32,618
Beriren	45,685	Kalamazoo	42,056
Branch	26,207	St. Joseph	25,687
Calhoun	47,472	Van Buren	31,059

Total Population ..... 334,198.
Increase since 1890 ..... 11,660.

GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION.

Antrim	12,427	Manistee	26,114
Benzie	8,063	Mason	18,422
Charlevoix	11,843	Mecosta	20,729
Clare	7,976	Missaukee	6,955
Emmet	10,382	Montcalm	34,158
Grand Traverse	17,515	Muskegon	37,324
Ionia	34,820	Newaygo	19,125
Isabella	21,439	Oceana	16,599
Kalkaska	5,640	Osceola	1,806
Kent	121,938	Ottawa	39,083
Lake	6,505	Wexford	11,278
Leelenaw	9,395		

Total 483,031
Increase since 1890 10,600
Rate of Increase ..... 2½ per cent.
Rate of Increase of Communicants .. 11 1-9 per cent.

*Has a Rectory. †Has both Church and Chapel. ‡Has a room.

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DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

A LIST OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS

Having stated Sunday services, and holding or having held for its benefit real estate, and contributing to their own support, and that of the Diocese. Canon I, Sec. 1.

PARISHES.

Albion.....St. James'
Allegan..... Good Shepherd
Battle Creek.....St. Thomas'
Big Rapids.....St. Andrew's
Coldwater .....St. Mark's
Elk Rapids.....St. Paul's
Grand Haven.....St. John's
Grand Rapids.....St. Mark's
Grand Rapids .....St. Paul's
Grand Rapids .....Grace
Grand Rapids .....Trinity
Hastings.....Emmanuel
Holland .....Grace
Homer .....Christ
Ionia.....St. John's
Kalamazoo .....St. Luke's
Marshall .....Trinity
Mendon.....St. Paul's
Muskegon.....St. Paul's
Niles..... Trinity
Three Rivers .....Trinity
Traverse City.....Grace
Union City.....Grace
Manistee.....Holy Trinity

MISSIONS.

Benton Harbor..... Holy Trinity
Charlotte .....Grace
Charlevoix .....Christ
Greenville.....St. Paul's
Grand Rapids .....St. John's
Harbor Springs.....St. John's
Mt. Pleasant.....St. John's
Newaygo.....St. Mark's
Pentwater.....St. James'
Petoskey .....Emmanuel
Whitehall .....Redeemer
Rockford .....St. James'
Muskegon .....St. Luke's
Sturgis.....St. John's

NOT HAVING STATED SUNDAY SERVICES.

East Jordan..... Redeemer
Quincy.....St. John's
Grand Rapids.....St. Matthew's
Saugatuck.....All Saints
Baldwin.....St. Matthew's
Tustin .....St. Johannes
St. John's.....Trinity
Central Lake.....St. Matthias
Paw Paw.....St. Mark's
Coopersville .....Epiphany
Ludington .....Grace

Not having stated Sunday services, and holding or having held for its benefits, real estate.

Cassopolis .....St. James'
Dowagiac.....St. Alban's
Grand Rapids..... St. Beda's

Not holding or having held for its benefit real estate.

St. Joseph .....St. Paul's
Hart.....St. Andrew's

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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, Ionia, Mich., June 1, 1897.

The Clergy of the Diocese of Western Michigan and the Lay Delegates elect to the twenty-third annual Convention of the Diocese, met in St. John's Church, Ionia, on Tuesday, June 1, 1897, at 7:30 p. m., and was called to order by the Bishop, who bade the members to silent prayer for God's blessing upon the work to come before the Convention.

The Secretary read Article VI of the Constitution, and Canon 1, Sections 1 and 2, of the organization of the Convention.

The Roll of the Clergy entitled to seats in the Convention was called and the following answered to their names:

Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D.
The Rev. Joseph W. Bancroft.
The Rev. Sydney Beckwith.
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.
The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
The Rev. Charles R. Hodge.
The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, A.B., S.T.B
The Rev. Woodford P. Law.
The Rev. William Lucas.
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, M. A.
The Rev. John N. Rippey, M. D.
The Rev. Carl R. Taylor.
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D.
The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D.D.
The Rev. Herman P. Vicborn
The Rev. Albert E. Wells, B. D.
The Rev. Wm. Westover.
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.
The Rev. Montgomery S. Woodruff.
The Rev. Wm. E. Wright, A. M., B.D

The Roll of those not entitled to seats was called and the following answered to their names:

The Rev. Jean W. Armstrong.
The Rev. Arthur H. Locke.
The Rev. Herman P. Vicborn.
The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall.

The Secretary called the Roll of Parishes and Missions, which, according to the Canons were entitled to representation in the Convention, and the credentials of Lay Delegates elect were presented.

The Chair appointed the Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs and the Rev. Wm. Westover, a Committee on Credentials.

While the Committee was preparing its report, Evening Prayer was said by the Bishop assisted by the Rev. Herman P. Vicborn, the Rev. J. W. Armstrong, and the Rev. Charles R. Hodge.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials respectfully report that we have examined the credentials presented and find the following certificates correct and the delegates named entitled to seats in this Convention:

Albion, St. James'—George W. Cole, S. Howard Daskam, A. M. Culver. Alternates—F. W. Webster, C. B. Lane, E. C. Carrington.

Battle Creek, St. Thomas'—George Willard, A. T. Metcalf, John E. Nelsen. Alternates—W. N. Gleason, W. D. Campbell, F. C. Stillson.

Coldwater, St. Mark's—E. R. Root, N. P. Loveridge, Alfred Milnes. Alternates—C. P. Bortleson, Wm. King, Albert Newman.

Elk Rapids, St. Paul's—H. B. Lewis.

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's—F. A. Gorham, W. J. Stuart, A. C. Torrey. Alternates—C. G. A. Voigt, C. G. Swensberg, E. F. Sweet.

Grand Rapids, Grace—Collins H. Johnston, John J. Rutka, Jacob Kleinhans. Alternates—George E. Hardy, Wm. H. Jones, Charles K. Seymour.

Hastings, Emmanuel—John S. Goodyear, David G. Robinson, Joseph A. Van Arman. Alternates—Ira Van Valkenberg, John F. Goodyear, Marcus W. Riker.

Holland, Grace—H. Walsh, P. A. Latta, W. R. Stevenson. Alternate—James Price.

Ionia, St. John's—James Vosper, Henry E. Spenser. Alternates—Ethan T. Montgomery, Clifford Parsons.

Kalamazoo, St. Luke's—J. D. Burns, David Fisher, Alfred J. Miller. Alternates—H. T. Cornell, Edwin S. Rankin, Frank M. Clark.

Muskegon, St. Paul's—Thomas Hume, Sidney S. Morris, James Snow. Alternates—Charles W. Yates, Wm. Heap, Hugh J. Minhinnick.

Niles, Trinity—Lewis H. Beeson, John H. Richardson. Alternates—Charles Quimby, A. W. Silsbee.

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity—Clarence W. Heath. Alternate—Alfred Coates.

Mt. Pleasant, St. John's—Edwin Andlin. Alternate—Henry Law.

St. Joseph, St. Paul's—W. C. Ransom. Alternate—Benjamin F. Pixley.

Three Rivers, Trinity—C. Elmer Jameson.

Pentwater, St. James'—Eben. P. S. Miller.

Rockford, St. James'—George T. Saunders.

The report was accepted.

The Treasurer read the report of Parishes and Missions entitled to seats in the Convention.

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IONIA, Mich., June 1st, 1897.

The following is the list of Parishes and Missions entitled to seats in this Convention:

St. Mark's Church, Coldwater.
Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor.
St. James' Church, Cassopolis.
Christ's Church, Charlevoix.
St. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids.
Redeemer, East Jordan.
St. Mark's, Grand Rapids.
Grace Church, Grand Rapids.
Emmanuel Church, Hastings.
Grace Church, Holland.
St. John's Church, Ionia.
St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo.
Holy Trinity, Manistee.
Trinity Church, Marshall.
St. Luke's Church, Muskegon.
St. James' Church, Pentwater.
St. James' Church, Rockford.
All Saint's Church, Saugatuck.
St. James' Church, Sturgis.
St. Johannes Church, Tustin.
Redeemer, Whitehall.
St. Beda's Church, Grand Rapids.
St. Matthew's, Grand Rapids.
St. Paul's Church, Mendon.
Nativity, Mancelona.
Christ's Church, Luther.
St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek.
St. John's, Grand Haven.
St. Paul's, Muskegon.
Good Shepherd, Allegan.

The Secretary called the names of persons entitled to seats under Article VI of the Constitution.

The Bishop pronounced the Convention duly organized, *In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost,—Amen.*

The following Clergy not entitled to seats in the Convention were admitted:

The Rev. J. W. Armstrong.
The Rev. Arthur H. Locke.
The Rev. Herman P. Vicborn.
The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall.

The election of Secretary being in order, the ballot was cast by the Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, and the Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D, was re-elected unanimously.

The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs was appointed Assistant Secretary.

The Rules of Order of the last Convention were unanimously adopted as the Rules of Order of this Convention.

Rules of Order.

OF THE OPENING OF THE CONVENTION AND THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. Each session of the Convention shall be opened with prayer; the morning session with the Daily Morning Prayer. On the first day the Order of Business shall be as follows: Provided, that when the first session of the Convention is an evening session, this order may be proceeded with as far as judged convenient, and resumed the next morning.

1st. The President having taken the chair, the Convention shall be called to order, and the Secretary of the preceding Convention (or, in his absence, the Secretary *pro tempore*, to be elected *viva voce*) shall call out the names of clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter into the JOURNAL the names of those who are present.

2d. The names of the Parishes and Missions entitled to representation shall be called, and the Lay delegates from each shall present their certificates of election, which shall be referred to a committee of two clergymen to report thereon.

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3d. On the acceptance of their report, the roll of the Lay delegates elected shall be called, and the President shall declare the Convention organized.

4th. Irregular and defective certificates shall be reported to the Convention, which shall decide on the admission of the delegates therein named.

5th. A Secretary shall be elected by ballot, who may appoint an assistant, subject to the approval of the Convention.

6th. If the Treasurer of the Convention be absent, a Treasurer *pro tempore* shall be elected *viva voce.*

7th. The President shall appoint the following Standing Committees:

On Admission of Parishes and Missions into Union with the Convention—consisting of two clergymen and one layman.

On the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen—consisting of three laymen.

On the Report of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan—consisting of two clergymen and three laymen.

On the Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions—consisting of two clergymen and three laymen.

On Unfinished Business—consisting of one clergyman and two laymen.

On Christian Education and Akeley Institute—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

On Canons—consisting of two clergymen and two laymen.

On Church Literature—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

On State of the Church—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

8th. The reports of the Standing Committees, the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, shall then be presented and referred to the appropriate committees.

9th. The report of the Standing Committee on unfinished business shall then be presented.

10th. Wednesday evening of the Convention shall be devoted to a general missionary meeting for reading the report of the Board of Missions, delivering addresses and to transact any other business which may promote missionary zeal and work in the Diocese.

11th. The Bishop's address shall then be in order.

12th. The Parochial reports shall be presented to the Bishop when he sees fit to call for them.

13th. Miscellaneous business.

SECTION 2. On the second and each subsequent day the Order of Business shall be as follows:

1st. The roll of the clergy and lay delegates called.
2d. Reading the minutes of the previous day.
3d. Elections.
4th. Reports of the Standing Committees in their order in Rule 7th.
5th. Reports of Special Commitees.
6th. Miscellaneous business.

SECTION 3. On the first morning of the Convention, immediately before the mid-day recess, shall be made nominations for Treasurer of the Convention, Registrar of the Diocese, Standing Committee, Board of Missions, Members of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, other than the *ex-officio* members of such Association, not exceeding ten in number, and the number to be fixed by resolution before the nominations are made, and in that year in which a General Convention is to be held, Deputies to the General Convention and Members of the Missionary Council.

Nominations for Supplemental Deputies to the General Convention shall not be made until after the Deputies have been elected. When nominations are made for any office, the names shall be recorded in the order in which they are presented.

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The Secretary shall cause all names proposed for any office to be printed on separate tickets, and the voting shall be by erasing the names of those for whom the members do not wish to vote. Separate ballots shall be taken for each office, and the election shall be the order of the day from 4 o'clock of that afternoon.

SECTION 4. In case the Bishop shall withdraw from the sittings of the Convention, he shall appoint a Presbyter to preside during his absence.

2d. Before the final adjournment of the Convention, the minutes of the session about to close shall be read and corrected, and signed by the President and attested by the Secretary.

3d. No resolution shall be entertained until it shall have been reduced to writing; and no motion shall be considered as before the Convention until it is seconded, and when seconded it shall be stated by the President.

4th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received unless to lay it on the table, to postpone to a certain time, to postpone indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. A motion to adjourn and a motion to lay on the table shall be always in order, and shall be decided without debate.

5th. A question being decided, it shall not be reconsidered at the same annual session without the consent of two-thirds of the members present; nor without a motion being made by one of the majority on the prior decision.

6th. Every member present when a motion is put shall vote thereon, unless excused by the Convention.

7th. On the requisition of any two members, the yeas and nays shall be called and entered on the JOURNAL. (Concerning the vote by orders, see Constitution, Article VII.)

8th. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention; and when he may deem it advisable he may appoint, on a committee to report to the next Convention, a person qualified to be a delegate who is not a member of the Convention.

9th. When a member desires to speak, he shall arise and address the President in an audible voice. If more than one member arises, the President shall determine the preference.

10th. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without leave of the Convention.

11th. No member shall withdraw from the Convention without leave asked and voted.

The Bishop read his diary of visitations. (See Appendix.)

The Secretary gave notice of the introduction of the printed Canons proposed by the Commission appointed by the Bishop and presented to the Convention of 1895, and laid over to the Convention of 1896.

The Standing Committee on Canons was appointed at this time by the President, to whom was referred the proposed Canons, in order to report the following day.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., the Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Mr. Jacob Kleinhans, Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.

The Convention took a recess until 8:30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 2, 8:30 O'CLOCK.

Morning prayer was said by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Montgomery S. Woodruff and the Rev. A. H. Locke.

During intermission the Grand Rapids Convocation met and elected the Rev. Wm. E. Wright, B. D., President, and the Rev. Woodford P. Law, Secretary.

The Kalamazoo Convocation also met and elected the Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., President, and the Rev. C. R. Taylor, Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, 10 A. M.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., J. W. Bancroft, A. E. Wells, and the Rector, Wm. H. Thomas, Ph. D.

The Bishop read his Annual Address. (See Appendix.)

The Convention was called to order by the President.

Nominations were in order. The following nominations were made in accordance with the Rules of Order:

TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery.

REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE.

The Rev. A. E. Wells, B. D.

STANDING COMMITTEE—CLERICAL.

The Rev. P. W. Mosher.
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft.
The Rev. Lewis Brown.
The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne.
The Rev. Wm. E. Wright.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D.
The Rev. Sydney Beckwith.
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff.

LAY.

Mr. J. Davidson Burns.
Mr. A. C. Torrey.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes.
Mr. W. J. Stuart.
Mr. George Willard.
Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Mr. James Vosper.
Mr. Wm. B. Williams.
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.
Mr. Noah P. Loveridge.

BOARD OF MISSIONS—CLERICAL.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas.
The Rev. Sydney Beckwith.
The Rev. Wm. E. Wright.
The Rev. Lewis Brown.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff.
The Rev. A. E. Wells.
The Rev. C. R. Hodge.
The Rev. Herbert Sowerby.

LAY.

Mr. J. E. Nelson.
Mr. D. G. Robinson.
Mr. Charles R. Wilkes.
Mr. G. T. Saunders.
Mr. W. J. Stuart.
Mr. George W. Cole.
Mr. David Fisher.

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MISSIONARY COUNCIL—CLERICAL.

The Rev. W. P. Law. The Rev. Lewis Brown.
The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D.D. The Rev. A. H. Locke.
The Rev. Robt R. Claiborne.

LAY.

Mr. George Willard.

The Report of the Standing Committee was called for. The Committee was not ready to report.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Mission Board was called and on motion was laid over for the evening session.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese was called for and was presented by Mr. F. A. Gorham, Treasurer.

IONIA, June 2, 1897.

To the Convention:

The Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan respectfully presents the report of its Treasurer, as showing the financial transactions of the past year, and the present condition of the various funds in its charge.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

GRAND RAPIDS, June 1, 1897.

To the Trustees of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

In compliance with the requirements of the By-Laws of the Association, I respectfully submit the following report of the various funds in my hands:

EPISCOPAL FUND.

1896.				
June 2.	Amount as per report		$35471 75	
1897.				
May 26.	Amount entered on books to correct discrepancy between amount actually due on land contract with Jos. T. Adams and amount heretofore carried on books		109 87	
				$35581 62
	Invested as follows:			
	Episcopal residence		$11000 00	
	Loans secured by mortgages		23028 76	
	Cash for investment		1552 86	
				$35581 62

The cash receipts and disbursements were as follows:

RECEIPTS.

1896			
June 2.	Balance from last report	$344 80	
" 25.	Received on Rogers mortgage	5 00	
July 15.	" in full payment of Gillman mortgage	600 00	
1897			
April 21.	" " " " Durkee "	850 00	
			$1799 80

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DISBURSEMENTS.

1896.				
Nov.	27.	Paid for redemption from tax sale of 1893 on property covered by Jas. P. Hayes loan..	$ 10 81	
Dec.	14.	Paid to purchase same property at tax sale for taxes of 1894.....	9 77	
		Paid tor quit claim deed of same property for taxes of 1892	21 35	
1897.				
April	8.	Paid for city taxes of 1896 on same property (Voucher No. 1).....	5 01	
		(The foregoing expenditures were made preparatory to foreclosure of mortgage.)		
April	13.	Loan to F. H. Gill secured by mortgage..	200 00	
June		Cash on hand.....	1552 86	
				$1799 80

The income account was as follows:

RECEIPTS.

1896.				
June	2.	Cash on hand.....	$ 21 61	
		From interest on loans.....	1181 42	
		" rents.....	500 00	
		" E.T. Montgomery, Treas., for ass'm'ts	1500 00	
				$3203 03

DISBURSEMENTS.

1896.				
July	2.	Paid L. W. Heath premium on $5000 insurance on Episcopal residence for 3 years, Voucher No. 2	$ 35 00	
Aug.	1.	Paid L. W. Heath for vacancy permit on insurance Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 3.....	1 66	
1897.				
Jan.	9.	Paid Guarantee Co. of North America proportion of premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 4.....	16 85	
"	29.	Paid Dean Ptg. and Pub. Co., for 1 receipt book, Voucher No. 5.....	1 50	
April	12.	Paid Wm. Robertson for repairs to plumbing Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 6.	3 30	
May		Paid Geo. D. Gillespie for salary, viz: Balance due on last year's account, $300; on current year's account, $2800; Vouchers 7 to 13 inclusive.....	3100 00	
		Cash on hand.....	44 72	
				$3203 03

The past year has been a hard one in which to make collections of interest, and, in consequence, it has been necessary to commence foreclosure of two mortgages, viz: H. Stormzand, $2500, and James P. Hayes, $558.10. The proceedings will be completed during the ensuing year, and it is expected that the property, when acquired, will yield in rentals about $300 per year.

The following statement shows the amounts due and unpaid for interest on the several mortgages belonging to this fund:

F. D. Yale, mortgage	$	42 00
H. Stormzand, "		275 00
John Schoffin, "		120 00
G. F. Cole, "		42 00

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Jas. P. Hayes, mortgage	250 00	
Asa M Beal, "	10 00	
L. K. Austin, "	16 00	
		$755 00
The income for 1897–8 is estimated at		$1900 00
The requirements will be:		
Balance due on Bishop's salary for last year	$ 200 00	
Salary for current year	3000 00	
		$3200 00
Deficit to be raised by assessment		$1300 00

PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

The amount is same as last report		$7051 84
And is composed of:		
Loans secured by mortgages	$4050 00	
Cash on hand for investment	3001 84	
		$7051 84

The receipts and disbursements have been:

RECEIPTS.

1896.				
June	2.	Cash on hand	$ 472 02	
Oct.	31.	Received in full payment of Van Hezel mortgage	275 00	
1897.				
April	21.	Received for ½ of Durkee loan, paid in full	850 00	
May	19.	" in full payment of Cooman's mortgage	1400 00	
"	29.	Received from interest on loans	336 03	
				$3333 05

DISBURSEMENTS.

1896.				
Nov.	18.	Remitted D. G. Robinson, Treas. Board of Missions, Voucher No. 14	$ 78 68	
1897.				
Jan.	9.	Paid Guarantee Co. of North America proportion of premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 4	4 80	
Mar.	5.	Remitted D. G. Robinson, Treas. Board of Missions, Voucher No. 15	78 23	
May	28.	Remitted D. G. Robinson, Treas. Board of Missions, Voucher No. 16	169 50	
June	1.	Cash on hand	3001 84	
				$3333 05

AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

1896.				
June	2.	Amount as per report	$4878 54	
1897.				
Mar.	30.	Received from estate of Permelia Prichard (being proceeds of sale of house and lot in Ludington, bequeathed by her to this fund)	300 00	
				$5178 54

Composed as follows:		
Loans secured by mortgages	$4586 00	
Cash on hand for investment	592 54	
		$5178 54

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RECEIPTS.

1896.				
June	2.	Cash on hand	$ 56 94	
Nov.	29.	Received, in full payment of Wm. Vine mortgage	225 00	
1897.				
Mar.	30.	Received from estate of Permelia Prichard	300 00	
June	1.	Received from interest on loans	256 37	
				$ 838 31

DISBURSEMENTS.

1896.				
Dec.	10.	Remitted E. T. Montgomery, Treasurer, Voucher No. 17	$ 91 37	
1897.				
Jan.	9.	Paid Guarantee Co. of North America, proportion of premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 4	3 35	
Mar.	5.	Remitted E. T. Montgomery, Treasurer, Voucher No. 18	46 05	
May	28.	Remitted E. T. Montgomery, Treasurer, Voucher No. 19	105 00	
June	1.	Cash on hand	592 54	
				$838 31

SUNDRY TRUST FUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

1896.				
June	2	Cash on hand per report	$199 83	
June	3	Received offering at morning service, St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, 22d Annual Convention for Missouri Sufferers Fund	15 67	
	4	Received from D. G Robinson, Treasurer, on order of Bishop Gillespie, for Insurance and Tax Fund	49 00	
	1	Interest credited on deposits at People's Savings Bank, account of various funds	2 59	
	25	Received from C. L. Hasbrouck, Treasurer for St. Paul's, Mendon, Endowment Fund	4 00	
July	1	Received on account of interest on loan to East Jordan, from Rectory Building Fund	5 00	
	14	Received on account of principal of same loan	25 00	
	25	Received on account of principal of loan to Pentwater, from Rectory Building Fund	30 co	
		And interest on same loan	7 co	
Sept.	3	Received from Bishop Gillespie as a "nest egg" for Paw Paw Lake Resort Chapel Fund	5 co	
Oct.	7	Received on account of principal of loan to Mount Pleasant, from R.ctory Building Fund	25 co	
		And interest on same loan	7 co	
	8	Received on account of principal of loan to East Jordan, from Rectory Building Fund	5 co	

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	17	Received from D. G. Robinson, Treasurer, to refund amount paid for repairs to sidewalk, at Evart	9 80	
Nov.	9	Received from D. G. Robinson, Treasurer, to refund amount paid for taxes of 1891, 1892, 1893, and 1894, on lots at Evart, Mich	59 64	
	13	Received from Mrs. R. J. Matthews, Treasurer, through Rev. W. P. Law, for rents collected at Baldwin	5 00	
Dec.	9	Received from C. L. Hasbrouck, Treasurer, for St. Paul's Church, Mendon Endowment Fund	2 16	
		Received from D. G. Robinson, Treasurer, to apply on amount paid for insurance at Whitehall	15 00	
		Received interest credited on deposit at Peoples' Savings Bank account of various funds	3 11	
	29	Received from C. D. Towne, Treasurer for St. Paul's Elk Rapids Endowment Fund	6 00	
1897.				
Jan.	15	Received from D. G. Robinson, Treasurer, balance of amount paid for insurance at Whitehall	15 00	
Feb.	7	Received on account of principal of loan to Pentwater from Rectory Building Fund	40 00	
		And interest on same loan	5 95	
	16	Received for interest on Peterson mortgage, account of Sturgis, Lyons and Decatur Funds	15 75	
	17	Received from C. E. Brandeberry, County Treasurer, to refund over-payment of taxes on Evart lots	31	
May	29	Received balance of principal of loan to Mount Pleasant from Rectory Building Fund	175 00	
		And interest on same loan	7 99	
		Received on account of interest on $1000 loan to Akeley Institute, credited to		
		Sturgis Fund $1 40		
		Lyons " 6 20		
		Decatur " 3 00		
		Eaton Rapids Fund 24 00		
		Baldwin " 3 80		
		Stanton " 1 60	40 00	
		Received from Rev. C. R. Taylor for St. Paul's Church, Mendon, Endowment Fund	2 45	
				$783 25

DISBURSEMENTS.

1896.				
June	5	Remitted Bishop Tuttle, St. Louis, for Missouri sufferers, Voucher No. 20	$15 67	
Sept.	29	Paid Perry Robson, Street Commissioner, for repairing sidewalk in front of lots at Evart, Voucher No. 21	9 80	

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Nov. 10	Paid taxes of 1891, 1892, $28.01, 1893, $16.07, and 1894, $15.25, on Evart lots, Vouchers No. 22 to 25	59 64	
13	Paid taxes of 1895 on Evart lots, Vouchers No. 26, 27	12 94	
19	Paid premium on $1000 insurance for three years, at Whitehall, Voucher 28	30 00	
18	Remitted D. G. Robinson, Treasurer, income of Rectory Building Fund, Voucher No. 29	19 00	
1897. June 1	Cash on hand	636 20	
			$783 25

SUMMARY OF SUNDRY TRUST FUNDS.

Rectory Building Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$1400 00	
Received for interest	32 94	
	$142 94	
Remitted to D. G. Robinson, Treasurer	19 00	
		$1413 94
Sturgis Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$61 63	
Received for interest	3 52	
		$65 15
Lyons Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$284 20	
Received for interest	16 42	
		$300 62
Decatur Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$136 50	
Received for interest	7 80	
		$144 30
Diocesan Library Building Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$36 58	
Received for interest	1 68	
		$38 26
St. Matthew's, Baldwin Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$104 78	
Received for interest	9 06	
		$113 84
St. Matthias, Eaton Rapids Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$631 53	
Received for interest	25 04	
		$656 57
Grace Mission, Stanton Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$45 11	
Received for interest	1 80	
		$46 91
Bush Memorial Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$22 17	
Received for interest	88	
		$23 05
St. Paul's, Elk Rapids, Endowment Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$7 08	
Received from C. D. Towne, Treasurer	6 00	
Received for interest	20	
		$13 28

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St. Paul's, Mendon, Endowment Fund—		
Received from C. L. Hasbrouck, Treasurer	$4 00	
Received from same	2 16	
Received for interest	05	
Received from Rev. C. R. Taylor	2 45	
		$8 66
Paw Paw Lake Resort Chapel Fund—		
Received from Bishop Gillespie		5 00
Total		$2829 58
Evart Fund—		
Received from D. G. Robinson, Treasurer	$9 80	
" " " "	59 64	
Received from refund of taxes paid	31	
		$69 75
Paid for repairs to sidewalk	9 80	
Paid for taxes	72 58	$82 38
Fund overdrawn		$12 63
Insurance Fund—		
Received from D. G. Robinson, Treasurer	$49 00	
" " " "	15 00	
" " " "	15 00	
	$79 00	
Overdraft from last report	49 75	
Paid for insurance at Whitehall	30 00	$79 75
Fund overdrawn		75
Total overdraft		$13 38
Net amount of Special Fund		$2816 20
Composed of the following:		
Loan to N. R. Peterson for account of Sturgis, Lyons and Decatur Funds	$175 00	
Loan to Akeley Institute on account of		
Sturgis Fund	$35 00	
Decatur Fund	75 00	
Lyons Fund	155 00	
Eaton Rapids Fund	600 00	
Baldwin Fund	95 00	
Stanton Fund	40 00	
	$1000 00	
Loans on acccount of Rectory Building Fund:		
To St. James' Mission. Pentwater	$130 00	
" Mission of Redeemer, East Jordan	100 00	
" St. Paul's Mission, Mendon	275 00	
" Akeley Institute	500 00	
	$1005 00	
Cash on hand for account of		
Rectory Building Fund	$408 94	
Sturgis Fund	8 27	
Lyons Fund	40 62	
Decatur Fund	21 18	
Diocesan Library Building Fund	38 26	
Baldwin Fund	18 84	
Stanton Fund	6 91	
Bush Memorial Fund	23 05	
Elk Rapids Fund	13 28	

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Eaton Rapids Fund	56 57		
Mendon Fund	8 66		
Paw Paw Lake Resort Fund	5 00		
	$649 58		
Less overdrafts	13 38		
		$636 20	$2816 20

DETAILED LIST OF SECURITIES HELD BY THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

FOR EPISCOPAL FUND.

Chas. L. Moran	mortgage	6 per cent	$5212 55
Fred. D. Yale	"	7 " "	3200 00
H. Stormzand	"	7 " "	2685 11
Isadore N. White	"	7 " "	1800 00
John M. Richens	"	7 " "	1800 00
Ellen E. Camburn	"	7 " "	1500 00
F. H. Gill	"	7 " "	1200 00
do	"	7 " "	200 00
John Schoffin	"	7 " "	1000 00
Herbert Baker	"	7 " "	750 00
James A. Rooney	"	7 " "	600 00
George G. Van Houtum	"	7 " "	600 00
G. F. Cole	"	7 " "	600 00
James P. Hayes	"	8 " "	558 10
Jos. J. Adams	"	7 " "	328 00
H. L. Birdsall	"	8 " "	300 00
S. Rogers	"	8 " "	285 00
Asa M. Beal	"	8 " "	250 00
L. K. Austin	"	10 " "	160 00
Total mortgages			$23028 76
Geo. Kendall deed, Episcopal residence: value including building ($5000 insurance expiring June 9th, 1899)			11000 00
Total Episcopal Fund			$34028 76

FOR PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

John H. Bruist	mortgage	7 per cent	$1500 00
Russell Slade	"	7 " "	800 00
Angeline Goossen	"	7 " "	400 00
William Booth	"	7 " "	400 00
Chas. P. Duston	"	7 " "	300 00
Calista Myers	"	7 " "	250 00
A. Leaderson	"	7 " "	200 00
Rufus Hall	"	7 " "	200 00
Total Permanent Missionary Fund			$4050 00

FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

J. Clark Sproat	mortgage	7 per cent	$1200 00
do	"	7 " "	800 00
Calvin E. Stone	"	7 " "	1000 00
Russell Slade	"	7 " "	800 00
Julius S. Ward	"	7 " "	576 00
Permelia Pollock	"	7 " "	210 00
Total Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund			$4586 00

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FOR RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

S. B. Minshall, Trustee, Pentwater,	mortgage	7 per cent	.....	$130 00
Akeley Institute	note	7 " "	.....	500 00
D. C. Loveday, et al., East Jordan.	notes	8 " "	.....	100 00
St. Paul's Church, Mendon	deed		.....	275 00
Total Rectory Building Fund				$1005 00

FOR SUNDRY SPECIAL FUNDS.

N. R. Peterson	mortgage	9 per cent	.....	175 00
Akeley Institute	note	4 " "	.....	1000 00
Total Special Funds				$1175 00

PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST.

Various deeds, the values being those shown in Parochial Reports, Journal of 1896:

Baldwin	Deed from W. L. Webber	$400 00
Benton Harbor.	" " Wm. Stewart, et al., Trustees, insurance $1500, expiring March 1, 1898	3500 00
Central Lake	Deed from J. N. Rippey, Trustee, insurance $500, expiring April 6, 1898	800 00
Charlevoix	Deed from James A. Gellick	1500 00
Coopersville	Deed from Samuel C. Graham	300 00
East Jordan	" " John Nichols, insurance $500, expiring June 29, 1898	1500 00
Eaton Rapids	Deeds from various persons. Insurance $1200, expiring April 23, 1898. This property has been sold for $900 of which $602 has been paid	900 00
Elk Rapids	Deeds from R. W. Bagot and Dexter & Noble, insurance $3000, expiring June 6, 1898	6000 00
Evart	Deed from W. F. McDermott, et al	no rep't
Grand Rapids, St. John's.	Deed from Richard Bynon, et al	4000 00
Greenville	Deed from M. Rutan, et al., insurance $1000 expiring July 1, 1899	1500 00
Harbor Springs.	Deed from A. J. Southard, et al., insurance, $2000 expiring September 15, 1898	2000 00
Luther	Deed from Catherine W. Sprague	150 00
Mancelona	" " Chas. Nelson and wife	no rep't
Mount Pleasant.	" " Minnie K. Brown, insurance $1500, expiring February 16, 1898	2500 00
Muskegon, St. Luke's.	Deed from J. N. Rippey, Trustee, insurance $400, expiring January 5, 1898	1500 00
Paw Paw	Deed from Mariah N. Gramps, insurance $1200, expiring November 1, 1897	1000 00
Pentwater	Deed from John W. Loomis, insurance $1000, expiring April 25, 1899	2450 00
Petoskey	Deed from H. O. Rose, et al., insurance $1500 on building, expiring July 6, 1899, and $1500 on furniture, etc., expiring October 25, 1897	6000 00
Quincy	Deed from Samuel C. Mowry	1200 00
Rockford	" " Neal McMillen, insurance $500, expiring November 21, 1897, and $500 expiring July 2, 1898	1500 00
Schoolcraft	Deed from Caroline L. Stewart, insurance $1000, expiring January 22, 1899	2000 00
Three Rivers	Deed from Henry C. Taylor, et al., insurance $2000, expiring March 16, 1897	3000 00

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Whitehall.....Deed from Vestryman Church of Redeemer, insurance $1000, expiring November 16, 1899..... 1000 00

Total Property Held in Trust $44700 00

F. A. GORHAM,
Treasurer.

The undersigned, lay members of the Standing Committee, acting as a Board of Auditors by appointment of the Convention of 1876 (Page 39 Journal of 1876) do hereby certify that we have examined the securities in the hands of the Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, as set forth in the foregoing lists, and find them correct as stated therein.

WM. J. STUART.

The report was received and referred to the Committee on Accounts of the Association of the Diocese.

The Convention took recess until 2 o'clock p. m.

WEDNESDAY, 2 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Convention was called to order by the President.

The Litany was said by the Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

On Admission of Parishes and Missions into Union with the Diocese—The Rev. W. P. Law, the Rev. Wm. Westover, Mr. Geo. W. Cole, Mr. H. B. Lewis.

On Report of the Association of the Diocese—The Rev. M. H. Martin, the Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Mr. H. B. Lewis, Mr. David Fisher, Mr. Geo. T. Saunders.

On the Reports and Accounts of the Board of Missions—The Rev. Sydney Beckwith, the Rev. Wm. Lucas, Mr. W. C. Ransom, Mr. Edwin Audlin.

On the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Christmas Fund—Mr. C. W. Parsons, Mr. A. C. Torrey, Mr. Heber Walsh.

On Unfinished Business—The Rev. Wm. E. Wright, Mr. Sidney S. Morris

On Christian Education—The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., the Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, the Rev. C. R. Hodge, Mr. Thomas Hume, Mr. P. A. Latta.

On Canons—The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., the Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Mr. Jacob Kleinhans, Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.

On Church Literature—The Rev. H. P. Vicborn, the Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall, the Rev. Artemus Wetherbee, Mr. George W. Hall, Mr. John E. Nelson.

On the State of the Church—The Rev. Lewis Brown, the Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne, the Rev. Philip W. Mosher, Mr. S. S. Morris, Mr. F. A. Gorham, Mr. D. G. Robinson.

The report of the Treasurer of the Convention was presented and read by the Treasurer, Mr. E. T. Montgomery.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 1st, 1897.

E. T. MONTGOMERY, Treasurer.

In Account with Diocese of Western Michigan, *Dr.*

1896.		
June 1,	To balance as per last report.....	$ 148 20
2,	" Petoskey Emmanuel (W. J. Dibble) '93, '94 in part...	25 00
	" Big Rapids, St. Andrew's " '96, in part...	45 25
	" Coldwater, St. Mark's " '96,.....	66 52
	Total received from W. J. Dibble, Treasurer.....	289 26

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"	Albion, St. James'	Assessment,	1896,	in part	16 50
"	Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	"	1897,		165 59
"	Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	"	1897,	in part	51 42
"	Coldwater, St. Mark's	"	1897,		68 14
"	Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity,	"	1897,		32 12
"	Cassopolis, St. James'	"	1896,		1 38
"	Charlevoix, Christ's	"	1896,		1 28
"	" "	"	1897,		2 30
"	Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	"	1897,		36 65
"	Grand Haven, St. John's	"	1897,	in part	59 89
"	Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	"	1897,		385 58
"	Grand Rapids, Grace	"	1897,		153 30
"	Greenville, St. Paul's	"	1896,	in part	5 00
"	Hastings, Emmanuel	"	1897,		68 65
"	Holland, Grace	"	1897,		20 56
"	Homer, Christ	"	1895,		3 13
"	" "	"	1896,		19 07
"	" "	"	1897,	in part	2 14
"	Ionia, St. John's	"	1897,		102 04
"	Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	"	1897,		275 04
"	Holy Trinity, Manistee	"	1897,		66 71
"	Trinity, Marshall	"	1897,		82 19
"	Muskegon, St. Luke's	"	1897,		5 50
"	Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	"	1897,	in part	25 30
"	Niles, Trinity	"	1895,		3 57
"	" "	"	1896,		72 22
"	" "	"	1897,	in part	22 84
"	Pentwater, St. James'	"	1897,		6 93
"	Rockford, St. James'	"	1897,		72
"	Sturgis, St. James'	"	1897,		20 59
"	Three Rivers, Trinity	"	1897,	in part,	8 30
"	Traverse City, Grace	"	1892,	in part,	5 00
"	Whitehall Redeemer	"	1896,		2 76
"	Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	"	1897,		72
"	" " St. Matthew's	"	1897,		3 84
"	Mendon, St. Paul's	"	1897,		11 50
"	Mancelona, Nativity	"	1897,		3 08
"	Luther, Christ's	"	1897,		2 07
"	Muskegon, St. Paul's	"	1897,		121 78
"	Allegan, Good Shepherd	"	1897,		66 90
	Total received,				$2,367 34

CONTRA.

By paid	Pages and Sexton, St. Luke's....	Voucher	1,	$ 15 00		
" "	Rev. J. N. Rippey.....	"	2, 14,	100 00		
" "	Bishop's allow. exp. to gen. con.,	"	5,	50 00		
" "	Rev. Mr. Hubbs, " " "	"	6,	50 00		
" "	Premium Treasurer's bond.....	"	7,	5 00		
" "	Stanton Printing Co.....	"	8, 20,	198 75		
" "	Rev. J. N. Rippey, Sec'y exp'ses	"	9, 21,	11 00		
" "	Rev. Campbell Fair.....	"	11,	54 50		
" "	Rev. R. R. Claibourne	"	12,	50 00		
" "	Rev. J. W. Bancroft.....	"	13,	50 00		
" "	Treasurer's expenses.....		3, 4, 10, 24,	12 31		
" "	F. A. Gorham, Treas., 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 25,			1,500 00	$2,096 56	
						$ 270 78

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Parishes and Missions that have paid assessments in full:

Allegan—Good Shepherd.
Battle Creek—St. Thomas'.
Benton Harbor—Holy Trinity.
Coldwater—St. Mark's.
Cassopolis—St. James'
Charlevoix—Christ's.
Elk Rapids—St. Paul's.
East Jordan—Redeemer.
Grand Haven—St. John's.
Grand Rapids—St. Mark's.
Grand Rapids—Grace.
Grand Rapids—St. Beda's.
Grand Rapids—St. Matthew's.
Hastings—Emmanuel.
Holland—Grace.
Ionia—St. John's.
Kalamazoo—St. Luke's.
Luther—Christ's.
Manistee—Holy Trinity.
Marshall—Trinity.
Muskegon—St. Luke's.
Muskegon—St. Paul's.
Mendon—St. Paul's.
Mancelona—Nativity.
Niles—Trinity.
Pentwater—St. James.'
Rockford—St. James.'
Saugatuck—All Saints.
Sturgis—St. James.'
Tustin—St. Johnnnes.'
Whitehall—Redeemer.

The following Parishes and Missions are delinquent on assessments due to the Diocese:

	Prior to 1892.	1892-3.	1893-4.	1894-5.	1895-6.	1896-7.	Total
Albion, St. James'					$10 00	$17 17	$27 17
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's						29 00	29 00
Charlotte, Grace				$21 57	34 35	.....	55 92
Grand Rapids, Trinity,	$48 74	$82 98	.....	$57 57	57 50	69 00	315 79
" " St. Paul's	167 10	.....	.....	54 80	30 90	55 70	308 50
" " St. John's	8 27	4 32	.....		2 25	5 22	20 06
Greenville, St. Paul's					15 11	13 84	28 95
Homer, Christ's						2 14	2 14
Ludington, Grace						28 20	28 20
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's						8 43	8 43
Newaygo, St. Mark's					4 07	9 70	13 77
Petoskey, Emmanuel	9 80	45 00	22 04		22 04	45 73	144 61
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	79 87	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	80 37
Quincy, St. John's	7 97	7 67	6 56		6 56	4 33	33 09
Three Rivers, Trinity						2 76	2 76
Traverse City, Grace	155 03	.....	16 22	19 12	4 12	21 67	216 16
Union City, Grace	46 74	.....	.....	.....	2 54	11	49 39
Central Lake, St. Matthias'					3 15	.....	3 15
Harbor Springs, St. John's						6 29	6 29
Totals	$497 48	109 02	73 21	181 66	193 09	319 29	1373 15

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

E. T. MONTGOMERY, Treasurer,

In Account with Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy and Widows and Orphans of Clergymen.

1896.

June 1,	To balance received of W. J. Dibble, Treasurer				$213 78
	" Christmas offerings,	St. Paul's, St. Joseph	$ 4 41		
	" " "	St. John's, Ionia	5 73		
	" " "	Grace, Holland	2 29		
	" " "	St. Paul's, Greenville	3 25		
	" " "	Trinity, Marshall	11 21		
	" " "	St. Paul's, Mendon	1 75		
	" " "	St. James,' Sturgis	1 27		
	" " "	St. John's, Grand Haven	5 50		
	" " "	St. Andrew's, Big Rapids	6 71		

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To Christmas offerings,			St. Thomas,' Battle Creek..	13	41	
"	"	"	Trinity, Three Rivers.....	2	11	
"	"	"	St. Paul's, Elk Rapids	4	10	
"	"	"	Grace, Traverse City	2	10	
"	"	"	St. Luke's, Kalamazoo.....	32	65	
"	"	"	Grace, Charlotte.....	1	52	
"	"	"	St. Mark's, Paw Paw.....	1	15	
"	"	"	St. Mark's, Coldwater.....	2	75	
"	"	"	Emmanuel, Hastings.....	10	00	
"	"	"	St. Paul's, Muskegon.....	4	58	
"	"	"	St. Mark's, Grand Rapids..	50	00	
"	"	"	Holy Trinity, Benton Harb'r	3	50	
"	"	"	Grace, Grand Rapids.....	4	80	
"	"	"	Good Shepherd, Allegan...	10	00	
"	"	"	St. James,' Pentwater.....	1	00	
"	"	"	Nativity, Mancelona.....	1	35	
"	"	"	St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft..	2	06	
"	"	"	Holy Trinity, Manistee.....	5	91	$195 11
" Mrs. E. H. Clark, St. Joseph, Mo.....				$ 1	00	
" E. H. & C. A. Van Dusen.....				100	00	
" A. B. Taylor				2	50	$103 30
" F. A. Gorham, Treas. interest on mortgages.....						$242 42
" Ladies' Guild Christ Church, Homer.....						1 75
" J. W. B.....						2 00
" No name.....						2 00
Total received.....						$760 56

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By stipends paid as per vouchers 1 to 11.....$350 00		
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Grand Rapids—St. Paul's.
Grand Rapids—Trinity.
Ludington—Grace.
Niles—Trinity.
Union City—Grace.
Charlevoix—Christ's.
Grand Rapids—St. John's.
Harbor Springs—St. John's.
Mt. Pleasant—St. John's.
Newaygo—St. Mark's.
Petoskey—Emmanuel.
East Jordan—Redeemer.
Whitehall—Redeemer.
Quincy—St. John's.
Rockford—St. James.'
Muskegon—St. Luke's.
Grand Rapids—St. Matthew's.
Central Lake—St. Matthias.'

The Report was accepted and referred to the Standing Committee on Accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese.

The Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business reported by the Rev. Wm. E. Wright.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully reports that three matters were left over from the last Convention, viz.:

1. The Committee on the Federation of the Dioceses should make a report.

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2. The Constitution as adopted by the last Convention awaits final action.
3. The alterations of the Constitution of the General Church, as reported by the Secretary of the House of Deputies to the Convention of this Diocese on March 10, 1896, and laid over to this Convention for consideration.

WM. E. WRIGHT,
S. S. MORRIS,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The report was taken up by items.

ITEM I.

The report of the Committee on the Federation of the Dioceess of Michigan was read by the Rev. M. H. Martin.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE FEDERATION OF THE DIOCESES OF MICHIGAN.

The Committee on the Federation of the Dioceses of Michigan would respectfully report:

In regard to the resolution on the "Amendment of the General Act for Incorporation of Protestant Episcopal Churches so as to allow the Articles of Agreement to be amended by the Churches in any manner which is not inconsistent with said act," adopted by the last Convention, and referred to this Committee, that the necessary legislation has been secured through the joint action of the Bishops of the three Dioceses.

That inasmuch as the Committee of the Diocese of Michigan appointed to consider the question of Confederation was not continued by the last Convention, on consultation with our Bishop and at his suggestion, the further movement in the matter on our part was deferred, pending any future action of the older Diocese.

Your Committee respectfully ask to be discharged.

M. H. MARTIN.

The Report was accepted the Committee was discharged.

ITEM II.

The Committee on Canons was not ready to report.

ITEM III.

The subject was presented by the Rev. Wm. E. Wright and was referred to a Committee of three to be appointed by the Chair.

The Report of the Standing Committee was read by the Secretary, the Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne.

The Twenty-second Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan, held in St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, June 2-4, 1896, elected by ballot the following named persons to serve as a Standing Committee for the year ending June 1, 1897.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, the Rev. J. W. Bancroft, the Rev. J. B. Hubbs, the Rev. R. R. Claiborne, Mr. J. D. Burns, Mr. F. A. Gorham, Mr. W. J. Stuart.

On the day of election the Committee met and organized by electing the Rev. Campbell Fair, President, and the Rev. R. R. Claiborne, Secretary.

The Committee has held meetings as follows:

June 3, 1896, Kalamazoo.
June 30, 1896, Grand Rapids.
April 26, 1897, Grand Rapids.

The official acts of the Committee have been as follows:

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Appropriations were made from the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, and relief of widows and orphans of deceased clergy.

The place for the meeting of the Annual Convention was changed from St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, to St. John's Church, Ionia.

The Standing Committee asks for the passage of the following usual resolution:

Resolved, That the Diocesan Treasurer, is hereby authorized to pay the traveling expenses of the members of the Standing Committee who attend its duly convened meetings for the year ending May 31, 1898.

R. R. CLAIBORNE,
Secretary.

The Report was accepted and the appended resolution was adopted.

The Rev. A. E. Wells read the report of the Registrar.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT.

The usual work of the Registrar's Department has gone on in the receiving and sending of Convention Journals for the completion of files; the getting of useful papers, and if in duplicate, the helping of others to get them. The library of the late Rev. J. B. Pritchard has come to the Diocesan Library and is in order for consultation or circulation. New volumes have been added by binding of periodicals and two by gift of the Rev. A. P. Greenleaf, sometime Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek. Total number of volumes added during the year, 293. Many things are needed for this department of our work, but the times make it undesirable to ask for them. I have expended for book-binding, postage and sundries, $5.36.

ALBERT E. WELLS,
Registrar.

The report was accepted.

The Committee on Canons reported upon Item II.

The Committee on Canons respectfully report the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposed Constitution of the Diocese of Western Michigan, which was approved by the Annual Convention of 1896, and is printed in the Journal of that year on pages 53 and 54, be adopted as the Constitution of said Diocese, and that the Constitution in force June 4, 1896, be and the same is hereby repealed.

WM. H. VAN ANTWERP,
M. S. WOODRUFF,
J. KLEINHANS,
WM. J. STUART,
Committee.

The Constitution was adopted by a two-third vote, by orders.

(See appendix for Constitution.)

The President presented a paper from the Anti-Saloon League, which was read by the Secretary, the purport of which was the election of two delegates to the National Anti-Saloon League Convention.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention express its approval of the Anti-Saloon League by sending two delegates to the Convention to meet in Ohio.

It was lost by yeas, 17; nays, 18.

The Committee on Canons presented its report upon the proposed Canons and was read by Mr. Jacob Kleinhans:

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The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the proposed Canons of the Diocese of Western Michigan, which were prepared by a Commission appointed by the Bishop and were presented to the Convention of 1895, have had the same under consideration and respectfully report that it has altered the same so as to read as follows:

CANONS.

(See appendix for Canons.)

Your Committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the foregoing Canons of the Diocese of Western Michigan be adopted and that when adopted the Canons in force this 2d day of June, 1897, shall be repealed.

WM. H. VANANTWERP,
M. S. WOODRUFF,
J. KLEINHANS,
WM. J. STUART,
Committee.

The report was accepted and the proposed Canons were unanimously adopted.

The Committee on Admission of Parishes and Missions reported by the Rev. Wm. P. Law:

The Committee on the Admission of new Parishes has received the certificate of but one new Mission.

Your Committee would recommend that St. Alban's Mission, Dowagiac, be admitted into union with this Convention, the application being in due form.

W. P. LAW,
WM. WESTOVER,
H. B. LEWIS.
Committee.

The report was accepted.

St. Alban's Mission, Dowagiac, was admitted into union with this Convention.

The Rev. Jas E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That this Convention acknowledge the communication of the Anti-Saloon League; and, while unable to elect delegates as requested, yet it desires to put on record its approval of the efforts of the Anti-Saloon League in behalf of temperance and good government.

The hour for election having arrived, the Convention went into election.

On motion the Secretary cast the ballot for Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery for Treasurer, and the Rev. Albert E. Wells for Registrar.

The President appointed the Rev. C. R. Taylor and Mr. J. E. Nelson as tellers for the election of Standing Committee.

The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the votes.

The resolution of Dr. Wilkinson came up for consideration, and was unanimously adopted.

The report of the Committee on Christian Education was read by the Rev. Dr. Wilkinson.

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REPORT.

The subject of Christian Education has been worn threadbare by the numerous sermons and reports upon it; and nothing new is left to be said upon it. And yet, as was said in a recent conversation, "Christian Education pays, and is necessary." Perhaps one of the strongest reasons in favor of it is the fact that it meets with so much opposition. This opposition is either due to misunderstanding of the subject, or to dislike of that which is sought to be attained by Christian Education. Christian Education has for its object the training and developing of human beings in, and by the principles of Jesus Christ. It sets before them the Life of the Saviour, as that which is most worthy the imitation of all men; and His principles, as those which alone can elevate to the throne of God. The life and principles of the Saviour are such as demand the development of the whole man, and not simply one side. The body, the mind, the soul, has each its place in Christian Education. We must have strong, healthful bodies, keen intellects, and also cultivated souls, before we can claim to be educated. It is perfectly true that we can have the physical part of man developed so greatly that really he is only a human animal; but it is at the expense of mind and soul. Or we can have the mind and its powers cultivated to such an extent that the intellect alone seems worth educating. Or the spiritual side of man can be trained and cultivated to such a degree that this alone seems essential—if any one of the three is to exist alone, this has the best right. But in true system of Education, neither element can be developed at the expense of the others. Christian Education—and Christian Education alone—aims to do this complete work; and it is done in the Name and for the sake of Jesus Christ the Son of God, Who was also "Perfect Man." The means by which this is to be attained are manifold and difficult in application. It is far from easy to know what to do, and how to do it. When shall it begin—how shall it be carried on? It would seem to have its origin in Christian homes, from Christian fathers and mothers, teaching their children in the truths of Christ and the glorious principles whereby He has set us free. It is one of the sad features of our day, however, that so many fathers and mothers fail in their duty, and do not realize their responsibility for the souls intrusted to them. As a partial, not complete remedy—for school can never take the place of home—the Church of Christ has founded schools in which this education shall be carried out as far as possible. They care for the bodies and for the intellects of the children intrusted to them; and they do not fall behind other schools in these respects. But to these they add the training and educating of the spiritual nature, that part in which we become most like our Saviour. The Church remembers that they are "Children of God" as well as children of men. Such schools do an immense amount of good for morality, education and Christianity. For their students—whether they profit or not—are drilled in the truths of God's Providence and authority, and man's subordination, God's perfectness which transforms and exalts man. Such schools ought to be encouraged and supported liberally, for the service which they render. Our own Diocese has one of these schools, which has been working quietly and persistently on these lines for nine years, and has sent forth into the parishes within and without our borders girls growing into womanhood, who have been and who will continue to be sources of strength. It has not yet received from the Diocese that recognition and support which it deserves and which would enlarge its influence. Those in it, and its friends, look to the day when it may become in truth a college for women. We are not so well prepared to take care of our boys; but just across our border, in the Diocese of Indiana, there is an admirable school for boys—Howe Military School—in which the principles of Christian Education are carried out. It would seem that we might further this work of Christian Education and benefit our Diocese greatly, by giving strong support to these two schools, by inducing pupils to go to them, and by gifts and scholarships.

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Your Committee present the following names for nomination to the Board of Trustees:

Hon. N. P. Loveridge, Coldwater.
The Rev. J. N. Rippey, Muskegon.
The Rev. Lewis Brown, Battle Creek.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes, Allegan.
Mr. Thomas Hume, Muskegon.
Mr. J. C. Ford, Fruitport.
Miss Rebecca L. Richmond, Grand Rapids.
Mrs. E. H. Van Deusen, Kalamazoo.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart, Grand Rapids.

JAMES E. WILKINSON,
C. R. HODGE,
R. H. F. GAIRDNER.
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The nominations were confirmed.

The Rev. J. B. Hubbs moved that a Commission be appointed, consisting of three members, to consider the Parochial boundaries in Grand Rapids. Adopted.

The Committee on the State of the Church made its report, which was read by the Rev. Lewis Brown.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE UPON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

"Boilean," asserts Canon Liddon, "says, somewhere, that the Church is a great thought which every man ought to study. It would be more practical to say that the Church is a great fact which every man ought to measure. Probably we Christians are too familiarized with the blessed presence of the Church to do justice to her as a world-embracing institution, and as the nurse and guardian of our moral and mental life. Like the air we breathe, she bathes our whole being with influences which we do not analyze, and we hold her cheap in proportion to the magnitude of her unostentatious service."

The truth of this observation comes freshly to one whenever any kind of approximation is desirable. Figures are out of all proportion with that accomplished. Beyond even the most gratifying exhibit, there is the magnificent heritage, purchased by the blood of Christ, with its priceless treasures, its gifts of immortal grace, its treasures of consolation, its glorious worship and its perpetual benediction of peace.

A Diocese like Western Michigan cannot, necessarily, revel in proud attainments. She is a mission center and her work is as arduous as that of any portion within this land. Domestic fields purchase to themselves immediate interest because of their connection with what is viewed as problematical and antagonistic. We have these same forces right here to deal with, but no thrill of enthusiasm greets them or turns their prosaic record into engaging poetry. The fact is that the sense of satisfaction which comes at doing the Master's behest must be the reward which evokes our labor and keeps us faithful wherever duty calls.

It is a matter of congratulation that our Bishop continues equal to any and all emergencies. To realize that in spite of advancing years and the decades of service since his consecration, his zeal and strength seem never more marked, is certainly to afford cause for devout praise. Our territory is peculiarly exacting. Its extent demands unusual activity in a Diocesan. No portion has been neglected. Wherever the ministrations of the Church were craved, there Bishop Gillespie has gladly and acceptably gone.

We pass naturally from a reference to our chief missionary to the work laid upon the shoulders of those associated with him generally, by the Board of Missions. The last year has been one of marked hardship, owing

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to the straitened financial conditions that pertained. In all of the parishes money has been hard to get for the ordinary requirements. Necessarily the calls from without have suffered. Yet, in spite of this burden, the work has been done most faithfully. Old stations have been revived, new ones opened, buildings been renovated, and an amount of enthusiasm roused that augurs well for the future. There has been no standing still in effort, although the pay has been diminished. Much praise should be accorded those who have so nobly stood at their post throughout these trying times.

The work of the Woman's Auxiliary is worthy of notice. In most of our parishes branches have been started and are doing effective work under their indefatigable President, Mrs. W. G. Austin. No organization in our midst is more deserving of support. There ought to be representatives of it in the least mission. Giving for missions is the source of spiritual power. As we recognize the paramount importance of our Lord's great commission, we will be moved to devise liberally in its behalf.

Akeley Institute comes in for its share of attention. Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson assumed the larger share of the liabilities during the past year, paying a prescribed sum to the Board of Trustees for each girl enrolled. Their generous proposition has not brought them great returns in pocket, although their course may have simplified the relationship which they assume. The crying need is scholars. With the marvellous advantages proffered, every room available should be occupied. The obligation must be pressed once more upon the clergy and laity alike, of patronizing our Diocesan school. Whatever opinion may have been formed years ago concerning the advisability of starting this venture, cavil is out of place today. All that we are permitted to do is to stand by the enterprise to the uttermost. Every dollar that Bishop Gillespie has advanced to perfect the resources should be repaid at the earliest possible day. Scholarships should be founded, legacies should be encouraged, donations ought to be invited. If the Diocese fails here, her good name as the promoter of Christian education is jeopardized. By all means let the coming twelve months show increased remunerative activity for Akeley.

We mourn the loss of some of our strongest and best equipped clergy. Clerical changes are the bane of Diocesan life. The Church in the long run wins in proportion as the tenure of rectorship is prolonged. Insufficient income is the natural source of transient incumbency. The brethren who have left us are those whom we can illy spare. Our prayers go with them to their new parishes, and we pray also that the Head of the Church may speedily fill the vacancies with men of corresponding zeal and consecration.

The question of Diocesan maintenance is vital. The endowment of the Episcopate should receive more attention than has been its lot hitherto. Bequests should be invited and parishes be urged to make annual contributions. It would release funds drawn upon now and make them available for Church extension purposes. Assessments upon the parishes should be met by each communicant paying not less than one dollar annually. It would foster attachment for the Bishopric, that centre of loyalty and bulwark of strength; it would promote interest in every department of Diocesan work; it would perpetually teach the sacred obligation of upholding the whole fabric of Apostolic Christianity. It is notably apparent that there is a laxness throughout our entire jurisdiction concerning the principles and prerogatives of the Church. It cannot be overcome until there is precise instruction along the line of giving. Our gifts are our judges. By all means let sanctified pocket-books be upheld as one of the indications of grace.

Two funds are worthy of especial note—that for the Aged and Infirm Clergy and the Trust Fund. The former, solicited as it is at the blessed Christmas-tide, should be the recipient of unstinted liberality. No circumstance in the Church today is more deplorable than our treatment of those who have grown grey in her service. After a life-time of unflagging devo-

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tion, the reward doled out is a bare pittance against actual starvation. In every other department of exertion there seems generous recognition. Our Country watches over her defenders with unceasing beneficence. How vastly superior is the office of those who are set apart to break the Bread of unending Life, and to how greater a degree should their necessities be comprehended by those who partake at the altar the royal bounty thus provided. Remembrance of this thought ought to compel to larger offertories. The Trust Fund is precious because it is placed at the Bishop's discretion. His visitations should bring out signs of heartiest appreciation. It is safe to say that no responsibility is ministered with more wisdom or is productive of happier results.

The year just closed has been one of unusual anxiety throughout the country. The ferment attending political excitement has swept from one end of the land to the other. While Religion is the main concern of the Church, still we are affected by what transpires in the circles of government. More or less the work has been circumscribed by this counter-attraction. Yet, in spite of all, the figures presented in the EPISCOPAL JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS are encouraging. Much more might have been done, but much has been done. The orderly work of the parishes and missions has gone on unimpeded. The services have been held, the worship has brought consolation and strength. It demonstrates clearly both our duty and our privilege. It is our duty to be instant in the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God. It is our privilege not to be slack in those matters which make, for upbuilding is righteousness. In a Diocese where eccentric forms of belief thrive, and where many have been led away from a pure Gospel and a divine Christ, the obligation is all the more vital of standing invincible for the Truth.

There is room for more conspicuous devotion on the part of our faithful laity. The St. Andrew's Brotherhood presents very clearly a model for emulation. But whether it exists in congregations or not, the opportunity for a more zealous manifestation of belief from our laymen is strikingly noticeable. Suffer the closing word of exhortation. May we, both clergy and laity, determine with all positiveness to know the things with which we have to do, "and faithfully to perform the same" through Him who is the object of our affection and the ground of our intercessions, our blessed Saviour, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS BROWN,
PHILIP WHEELER MOSHER,
R. R. CLAIBORNE,
F. A. GORHAM,
D. G. ROBINSON,
S. S. MORRIS,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne offered the following resolution:

In view of the fact that we are informed that the Board of Missions will apportion to this Diocese a certain sum as a fair amount for it to contribute to the Missionary work of the Church, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Bishop appoint a committee of three Laymen who shall be requested to undertake the raising of such amount by a personal visitation of the various Parishes or in any other way that in the judgment of the Committee may seem best.

The resolution was adopted.

The Secretary read the Report of the Clerk of the Board of Trustees of Akeley Institute.

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To the Bishop, Clergy and Lay Delegates of the Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

GENTLEMEN:—As Clerk of the Board of Trustees of Akeley Institute, I have the honor to report that the Institute has had a larger number of pupils this year than last, and will graduate the largest class since the opening of the school. Under the auspices of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson, there are evidences of future growth and development, notwithstanding the hard times.

The interest on the Bonds has been promptly paid. Blanche Hall has been painted and presents a much better appearance.

The Convention is asked to nominate five or more persons to the Board from which to elect three trustees in place of J. N. Rippey, N. P. Loveridge and George Willard.

J. N. RIPPEY,
Clerk.

The report was accepted.

The Tellers on the election of Standing Committee returned and reported.

TELLERS' REPORT.

No. of ballots cast 37. Necessary to a choice 19.

ELECTED.

The Rev. Lewis Brown	received	23 votes.
The Rev. Robt. K. Claiborne	"	22 "
The Rev. Philip W. Mosher	"	21 "
The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D	"	21 "
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart	"	27 "
Mr. J. D. Burns	"	21 "

One Lay member to be elected.

J. E. NELSON,
C. R. TAYLOR,
Tellers.

The Tellers collected the ballots for the Lay member to be elected and retired to count the vote.

The Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese presented the following report:

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION AND OF THE AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

Your Committee to whom was referred the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for the Aged and Infirm Clergy, beg leave to report that they have examined the same with the vouchers therefor and have found the same correct.

C. W. PARSONS,
A. C. TORREY,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The Tellers returned and reported as follows:

TELLERS' REPORT.

Whole No. votes cast 37. Necessary to a choice 19.

ELECTED.

Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.....received 22 votes.

The President appointed the Rev. A. E. Wells and Mr. H. B. Lewis, Tellers for the election of the Board of Missions.

The Tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the vote.

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The Rev. C. R. Hodge offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of two Clergymen and three Laymen be appointed to consider the matter of delinquent Parishes, to report thereon before the close of this Convention.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Wm. J. Stuart offered the followiing resolution:

Resolved, That we, the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Western Michigan in Convention assembled, having watched with pride and satisfaction the growth and high character attained by our Diocesan School—Akeley Institute—we hereby commend it to parents and guardians as worthy of their patronage and support, and urge upon them that they investigate its merits and claims before making choice of a school.

The resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Jas. E. Wilkinson, chaplain of Akeley Institute invited the members of the Convention to attend the Commencement of Akeley Institute.

The Tellers on the election of the Board of Missions returned and reported.

TELLERS' REPORT.

No. of ballots cast 36. Necessary to a choice 19.

ELECTED.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas	received	30 votes.
The Rev. Sydney Beckwith	"	35 "
The Rev. Wm. E. Wright	"	27 "
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	"	25 "
The Rev. C. R. Hodge	"	19 "
Mr. J. E. Nelson	"	33 "
Mr. D. G. Robinson	"	36 "
Mr. Charles R. Wilkes	"	30 "
Mr. G. T. Saunders	"	22 "
Mr. Geo. W. Cole	"	23 "

Signed, ALBERT E. WELLS,
H. B. LEWIS,
Tellers.

The Convention took a recess until half-past 7 o'clock in the evening.

WEDNESDAY—7:30 P. M.

The Convention was called to order by the President.

The election of members of the Missionary Council being in order, the President appointed the Rev. M. S. Woodruff and Mr. S. S. Morris, as Tellers.

The Tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the vote.

The President appointed the following committees:

COMMITTEE ON DELINQUENT PARISHES.

The Rev. C. R. Hodge.
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff.
Mr. E. T. Montgomery.
Mr. H. F. Cornell.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.

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COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION OF THE SECRETARY OF GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Rev. Sydney Beckwith. The Rev. J. N. Rippey.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes.

[NOTE.—The Bishop did not appoint balance of the Committees, but asked the privilege of doing so after the Convention adjourned.]

The Missionary service was said by the Rev. W. P. Law. Missionary addresses were made by the Rev. A. H. Locke and the Rev. J. W. Armstrong.

The Secretary of the Board of Missions, the Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, read the report of the Board for the past year.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

To the Twenty-third Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

The Board of Missions, elected by the 22d Annual Convention of the Diocese, met, upon adjournment of the Convention, June 4th, 1896, in St. Luke's Church Parish House, Kalamazoo, and was duly organized by the election of the Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner as Secretary, and Mr. D. G. Robinson as Treasurer of the Board.

Five meetings have been held during the year, and we may be permitted to say that both the interest and attendance of the members have been gratifying to the Bishop. At the second meeting, held at the Episcopal residence, Grand Rapids, on Sept. 22d, 1896, the appropriations for the year were made.

The following is the list of missionaries who have been engaged in work in the Diocese during the year:

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, General Missionary.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor, and St. Paul's, St. Joseph.

The Rev. Wm. Westover, St. John's, Mt. Pleasant.

The Rev. Carl Reed Taylor, St. James,' Sturgis, and St. Paul's, Mendon.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Belding, and St. Paul's, Greenville.

The Rev. J. W. Armstrong, Christ's, Charlevoix, and Emmanuel, Petoskey.

The Rev. A. Wetherbee, St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft.

The Rev. A. E. Wells, Grace, Traverse City.

The Rev. H. D. Chambers, Grace, Ludington.

The Rev. A. W. Mann, Missionary to the Deaf and Dumb.

The Rev. H. D. Chambers resigned Grace Church, Ludington, on September 1st, 1896, which place has since been vacant. During his incumbency Mr. Chambers also held occasional services at Scottville, Custer and Summit.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey. M. D., for reasons which commended themselves to the Bishop and the Board, was given permission to confine his work to Greenville. The outlook at this place is regarded as most encouraging. In addition to this work Mr. Rippey has also conducted occasional services at Whitehall.

The Rev. J. W. Armstrong, whom we are happy to welcome to the Diocese, has, by consent of the Board, been relieved of the care of the Mission at Charlevoix and permission given to devote himself wholly to the Mission at Petoskey.

The Rev. A. E. Wells has faithfully served Traverse City on Sundays and Central Lake and East Jordan on week days. The Church at Traverse City should regard the moving of their church building to some desirable location as among their first and most urgent duties.

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St. John's, Mt. Pleasant, under the faithful care of the Rev. Wm. Westover, is to be congratulated on the payment of the Rectory debt. In addition to his work at Mt. Pleasant, Mr. Westover holds monthly services at Clare.

The work at Holland, under the Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D., D., has grown with a steady, conservative growth, and is now assuming a position of influence in the community it has never hitherto assumed.

The Rev. A. Wetherbee has ministered every Sunday at Schoolcraft with marked acceptance. The Mission at this place most gratefully acknowledges a generous gift of $500 from Mr. Dyckman, and a marble font, the gift of St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo.

At Mendon and Sturgis, the Rev. Carl Reed Taylor continues his efficient ministry, in which he has been assisted by Mr. Charles S. Worden and Mr. J. J. Wait, lay readers. The future work of the Sturgis Mission is dependent upon the purchase, or the gift, of a lot, and the building of a suitable place of worship.

Benton Harbor and St. Joseph are able to report even more encouragingly than they could last year. Under the zeal and the energy of the faithful missionary, the Rev. M. S. Woodruff, a lot has been purchased by the St. Joseph Mission, and arrangements are being made for the building of a church.

The Rev. A. W. Mann has ministered regularly and with exceeding comfort to those peculiarly committed to his care, throughout the Diocese.

The work of the General Missionaries has been all that could be desired. Under their fostering care the charges committed to their ministry have made fair and substantial progress. The Rev. Woodford P. Law has held services, as frequently as within his power, in the following places: Baldwin, Clare, Hart, Luther, Ludington, Mancelona, Newaygo, Pentwater, Rockford, Tustin and Whitehall; and under his wise and laudable zeal the outlook of the Church in these places has assumed a strength and a character gratifying to the Board.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft has had charge of Union City, Three Rivers, Paw Paw, Charlotte and Homer, and evidences abound in these places of his faithful work and patient ministry.

Early in the year the Bishop communicated a desire to the clergymen of the Diocese, who were Rectors of Parishes, urging them to undertake missionary work in the vicinity of their respective Parishes; and it should be peculiarly gratifying to our beloved Bishop, and should convey a measure of comfort to him to know that as many as have had it within their power have been obedient to the Bishop's desire.

The Rev. Philip W. Mosher has conducted services every Sunday afternoon in St. Luke's Mission, Muskegon; and this Mission, we are glad to report, has been enabled through the assistance of Mr. Mosher, to honor its full indebtedness of $350.00.

The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs has held services at St. John's Mission, Grand Rapids, every Sunday, and the outlook of this Mission is regarded excellent.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., whose great loss by removal to another Diocese is lamented, has regularly ministered to the Mission of St. Matthew's and Southwest Mission, Grand Rapids.

The Rev. W. H. Thomas, Ph. D., has conducted services every Sunday afternoon in Lyons, a Mission 7 miles distant from his Parish. This work has been eminently successful. During the year 8 were confirmed and 17 baptized. The building of a chapel at this place is confidently and soon expected.

Cassopolis and Dowagiac have been under the care of the Rev. R. H Fortescue Gairdner. At Cassopolis a chapel has been leased for a period of 8 years. The Mission at Dowagiac has just been organized under the name of St. Alban's. These two Missions, with reasonable assistance from

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the Board, will be able to maintain a missionary this year, resident at Dowagiac.

In submitting this, our report, to the Convention, the Board would avail itself of the privilege and opportunity of saying that in its survey of the missionary field of the Diocese, it finds, even in the midst of the financial and industrial depression which everywhere abounds, abundant reason for exceeding cheer and encouragement. It cannot, however, be unmindful of this—that if God is to continue to bless us in our efforts for the extension of His Kingdom as He has in the year past, it can only be as we continue in our efforts, not only in prayer and personal endeavor, but equally in the generous and unstinted giving of our means.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. FORTESCUE GAIRDNER, Sec'y.

The Report was accepted.

The Treasurer of the Board of Missions, Mr. D. G. Robinson, presented the financial report of the Board for the past year.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,

In Account with Diocesan Mission Fund for Moneys Received from June 4th, 1896, up to June 3d, 1897.

1896.		
June 4	Balance on hand	$798 77
	From Rev. M. S. Woodruff	5 00
	" Draft returned by Rev. A. E. Wells to replace draft sent him May 21, 1896	50 00
	" Rt. Rev. Daniel Tuttle. D. D	26 77
	" Rev. C. W. Leffingwell	10 00
	" J. E. Nelson	5 00
	" Mrs. Van Dusen, Bible Class	10 00
	" Dr. and Mrs. Van Dusen	50 00
	" Hon. J. D. Burns	10 00
	" Rev. Sydney Beckwith and family	10 00
	" Rev. W. W. Taylor	5 00
	" E. M. Duff	3 00
	" C. R. Wilkes	10 00
	" Hon. George Willard	10 00
	" Rev. W. P. Law	10 00
	" St. Paul's, Elk Rapids, S. S., $5 00, $10 00	15 00
	" Trinity, Three Rivers	22 44
	" St. James, Cassopolis	55
	" Grace, Charlotte	65 23
	" Christ Mission, Charlevoix	21 36
	" Redeemer, Whitehall	75
	" Christ Mission, Luther	9 14
	" Nativity, Mancelona	30 00
	" St. Johannes, Tustin	2 50
	" Grace, Union City	26 05
	" Grace. Ludington	63
	" Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor	10 00
	" St. Mark's, Coldwater, S. S., $15 and $65	80 00
	" Akeley Institute	13 52
	" St. James', Pentwater	58 75
	" St. Thomas', Battle Creek, S. S., $27 and $88 50	115 50
	" St. John's, Grand Haven	22 52
	" St. Mark's, Newaygo	77 21

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From St. Mark's, Grand Rapids	500 00	
" F. A. Gorham, Treasurer, interest on Permanent Missionary Fund	326 41	
" St. Luke's, Kalamazoo	200 00	
" St. Andrew's, Big Rapids	9 92	
" St. Paul's, St. Joseph	10 00	
" St. James', Rockford	9 45	
" Emmanuel, Hastings, S. S., $10 and $35	45 00	
" St. Mark's, Paw Paw	6 85	
" St. John's. Quincy	5 54	
" Trinity, Marshall	75 00	
" St. John's, Ionia, on past dues, $20.75 and $12.96	33 71	
" St. Luke's, Muskegon	6 25	
" Grace, Traverse City	11 40	
" Christ, Homer	5 71	
" Grand Ledge	1 45	
" St. Andrew's, Hart	3 15	
" Grace, Grand Rapids	25 00	
" St. John's, Mt. Pleasant, S. S., $3.co	3 00	
" Grace, Holland	12 51	
" St. Paul's, Muskegon	50 00	
" Good Shepherd, S. S., $10 and $25	35 00	
" St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft	2 50	
" Emmanuel, Petoskey	6 42	
" Sunday School, Kalamazoo, L. D. B	5 00	
" Rev. J. E. Wilkinson	10 00	
" Hon. W. B. Williams	5 00	
" Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	5 00	
" Trinity, Niles	50 00	
" Miss Cora Wilkes	5 00	
Total		$3048 94

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For Moneys paid out up to June 3, 1897.

1896.		
Paid Rev. J. W. Bancroft, stipend and expense account	$534 99	
Paid Rev. J. W. Bancroft. clerical services on Church Helper	10 00	
Paid Rev. W. P. Law, stipend and expense account	681 25	
Paid Rev. Sydney Beckwith, exp's ac't. attending meeting of Board of Missions Sept. 22	3 10	
Paid Rev. P. W. Mosher exp's same date.	2 30	
" " R. H. F. Gairdner " " "	3 75	
" " W. H. Thomas " " "	1 10	
" J. E Nelson " " "	4 90	
" D. G. Robinson " " "	1 75	
" Guarantee Co. of North America	5 00	
" Rev. R. H.F. Gairdner, order for printing blanks	50	
Paid Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, expenses as Secretary	5 00	
Paid Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, for traveling exp's to Cassopolis and Dowagiac	4 05	

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	Paid Rev. Wm. Wright for clerical services at Reed City	10 00	
	Paid Rev. W. H. Thomas for clerical services at Lyons	25 00	
	Paid Rev. Wm. Lucas, exp's at meeting Board of Missions, Sept. 22 and Nov. 17.	1 80	
	Paid Rev. H. D. Chambers for services at Ludington	50 00	
	Paid Rev. W. W. Taylor for exp's paid on Church Helper	40 00	
	Paid Rev. W. W. Taylor for clerical services rendered on Church Helper	40 00	
	Paid Rev. M. S. Woodruff, stipend	177 50	
	" " Albert E. Wells, "	37 50	
	" " C. R. Taylor, "	67 50	
	" " J. N. Rippey, M. D. "	37 50	
	" " J. W. Armstrong, "	41 67	
	" " Artemas Wetherbee	56 25	
	Paid Treasurer's expense account	12 00	
	Transferred to Deaf Mute Fund	106 73	
	" " Book and Tract Fund	25 00	
	" " Church Building Fund	35 80	
	Paid Rev. Wm. Westover, stipend	150 00	
1897. June 3	Balance on hand carried to new account.	877 00	$3048 64
June 3	Balance on hand	$877 00	

LIST OF UNPAID PLEDGES MADE FOR DIOCESAN MISSIONS, JUNE 3, 1897.

Trinity—Grand Rapids	$118 25	
Christ Church—Homer	25 23	
St. James'—Pentwater	72 75	
Holy Trinity—Manistee	30 00	
Grace—Traverse City	10 30	
St. James'—Cassopolis	3 12	
Redeemer—East Jordan	2 25	
St. John's—Mt. Pleasant	18 50	
Redeemer—Whitehall	5 25	
St. James'—Albion	15 00	
St. John's—Grand Haven	17 48	
St. Paul's—Grand Rapids	10 00	
St. John's—Ionia	37 04	
Grace—Ludington	5 37	
St. Luke's—Muskegon	18 75	
St. Mark's—Newaygo	112 50	
Christ Mission—Luther	10 86	
Akeley Institute	6 48	
Rev. P. W. Mosher	10 00	
Lyons (Rev. W. P. Law)	5 00	
Rev. Edward M. Duff	2 00	
Brotherhood at Muskegon	5 00	
Emmanuel—Petoskey	8 58	
St. Paul's Sunday School—Muskegon	5 00	
Total		$554 43

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D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,

In Account with the Bishop's Trust Fund for Moneys Received, from June 3d, 1896, up to June 1st, 1897.

1896.				
June	3.	Cash balance on hand	$301	35
"	20.	From Mrs. Annie Lane, per Rev. W. P. Law	1	00
July	3.	" St. James,' Albion, per Rev. J. W. Bancroft	2	88
Aug.	28.	" Nativity, Mancelona, per W. P. Law	2	72
Sept.	4.	" Redeemer, East Jordan	1	35
Oct.	10.	" Grace, Holland	2	75
"	17.	" Christ Church, Homer	1	25
Nov.	19.	" F. A. Gorham, Treasurer Income of Rectory Building Fund	19	00
"	24.	" Grace, Charlotte, per Rev. J. W. Bancroft	7	42
Dec.	2.	" Returned by Rev. M. S. Woodruff, from Convocation held at Holland	11	79
"	3.	" Grace, Traverse City, per Rev. A. E. Wells	1	00
"	16.	" Emmanuel, Petoskey	2	55
"	19.	" Mrs. E. H. Van Dusen, her Bible Class, Kalamazoo	10	00
"	30.	" St. Paul's, Elk Rapids	5	81
1897.				
Jan.	4.	" Christ Mission, Charlevoix	3	00
"	7.	" St. John's, Quincy	1	56
"	11.	" Grace, Union City, per Rev. J. W. Bancroft	1	80
"	19.	" Redeemer, East Jordan		50
Feb.	8.	" St. Paul's, Greenville	2	00
"	15.	" Emmanuel, Hastings	8	32
"	16.	" St. Paul's, Mendon	3	50
"	16.	" St. James, Sturgis	1	55
Mar	3.	" St. John's, Grand Haven	3	49
"	3.	" Akeley Institute	1	07
"	3.	" Rev. C. R. Taylor to apply on money loaned him in 1895	10	00
"	12.	" Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor	7	22
"	13.	" St. Paul's, St. Joseph	10	21
"	23.	" Trinity, Marshall	8	02
"	31	" St. Luke's, Kalamazoo	30	08
April	8.	" Dr. and Mrs. Van Dusen	10	00
"	10.	" Grace, Grand Rapids	7	00
"	14.	" St. John's, Mt. Pleasant	1	42
"	16.	" St. Thomas,' Battle Creek	8	36
"	20.	" St. James,' Albion	2	61
"	22.	" Good Shepherd, Allegan	10	26
"	28.	" St. Mark's, Coldwater	7	14
May	4.	" St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft	1	50
"	5.	" St. Mark's, Grand Rapids	11	51
"	11.	" St. John's, Ionia	7	64
"	17.	" Rev. M. S Woodruff, return from Mendon Convocation	13	40
"	18.	" Holy Trinity, Manistee	5	40
"	19.	" St. James,' Rockford, Rev. W. P. Law	2	02
"	19.	" St. Mark's, Newaygo, " "	1	00
"	19.	" St. James,' Pentwater, " "	2	00

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"	27.	From	Trinity, Grand Rapids.....	2 00	
June	1.	"	Trinity, Niles, from the Bishop.....	3 00	
"	1.	"	St. John's, Ionia " " "	6 00	
"	1.	"	Draft, per Akeley " " "	10 00	
"	1.	"	St. Paul's, Muskegon	6 00	
"	1.	"	St. Luke's, Muskegon	1 00	
"	1.	"	Woman's Aux., Allegan.....	7 50	
"	1.	"	" " St. Mark's, G. R....	18 00	
		Total			$607 95

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Credit for Moneys Disbursed.

1896.					
July	27.	Paid	Bishop Gillespie, bill of items.....	$ 18 17	
Sept.	8.	"	Rev. Philip W. Mosher, exps. acc't as per order.....	22 76	
"	10.	"	Grace Cook, stenographer, as per order	11 35	
"	11.	"	Geo. D. Sanford, expense acc't, as per order.....	7 57	
Oct.	16.	"	F. A. Gorham, exps. acc't, repairing sidewalk at Evart.....	9 80	
"	23.	"	Living Church for Rev. A. Reeves, as per order	1 50	
Nov.	9.	"	F. A. Gorham, for taxes paid on Evart lots, as per order.....	59 64	
"	12.	"	Rev. C. E. Jameson, Hymnals for Trinity Church, Three Rivers, as per order.....	5 00	
Dec.	3.	"	Dr. Campbell Fair, exps. acc't.....	1 50	
"	9.	"	F. A. Gorham for insurance on church at Whitehall, as per order.....	15 00	
"	23.	"	Thomas Whittaker, mdse Dec. 21, '96.	2 00	
"	23.	"	Young Churchman, per order 12-21...	6 00	
1897.					
Jan.	7.	"	" " bill 12-31.....	1 20	
"	14.	"	F. A Gorham, bal. of insurance at Whitehall, as per order.....	15 00	
"	16.	"	Mrs. Green for Christ Church Mission at Charlevoix, as per order.....	6 00	
"	28.	"	G. L. Vincent, insurance on church at Luther, as per order.....	6 50	
Mar.	20.	"	Current History for Akeley, per order	1 50	
"	26.	"	Evening Post " " "	2 00	
May	17.	"	Rev. J. B. Hubbs, as per order.....	1 50	
"	17.	"	D. C. White, as per order, from June 12,'96, up to June 1, 1897....	125 00	
"	29.	"	West Mich. Printing Co., from Sept. 5,'96. up to May 27, 1897.....	11 00	
			Cash for expense of Clergy attending Convocations from Nov.17, '96, up to April 27, '97.....	110 00	
"	30.	"	F. A. Gorham, Treasurer, to pay int. on loan of the Association for Akeley Institute ($1,000).....	40 00	
June	1.	"	Bishop Gillespie for Akeley.....	10 00	
"	3.	Bal. on hand to new acct.....		117 86	
					$607 95

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1897.			
June 3.	Bal. on hand	$117 96	

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In Account with Book and Tract Fund.

1856.			
Sept. 23.	Transferred from Diocesan Mission Fund		$ 25 00
1896.			
Oct. 19.	Paid Rev. A. E. Wells, as per order	$ 5 00	
" 19.	" " W. P. Law, " "	5 00	
Nov. 2.	" " J. E. Wilkinson, "	5 00	
1897.			
June 1.	Bal. on hand	10 00	
			$ 25 00
1897.			
June 1.	Bal. on hand	$ 10 00	

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In Account with Bishop's Penny Fund.

1896.			
June 3.	Cash on hand	$ 10 67	
1897.			
Jan. 18.	From Emmanuel Church S. S., Hastings	$ 1 70	
April 20.	" Trinity S. S., Marshall	10 00	
			$ 22 37
1897.			
June 3.	Cash on hand	$22 37	

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In Account with Deaf Mute Fund.

1897.			
June 3.	Cash on hand	$ 9 65	
Aug. 27.	From Rev. J. W. and Mrs. Bancroft	3 00	
Sept. 8.	" St. Mark's, Coldwater	2 00	
Oct. 6.	" Christ Mission, Charlevoix	3 62	
	Transferred from Diocesan Mission Fund	106 73	
			$125 00

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1897.			
June 1.	Paid Rev. A. W. Mann one year's stipend as per appropriation made		$125 00

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In Account with New Book Fund.

1896.			
June 2.	Cash on hand	$ 47	
1887.			
June 3.	By Collection at Convention	7 31	
			$ 7 78
1897.			
June 3.	Cash on hand	$ 7 78	

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In Account with Church Building Fund.

1896.			
June 2.	Bal. on hand	$ 21 43	
Sept. 22.	By appropriation made by Board of Missions	35 80	
			$ 57 23

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1896.				
Oct. 16.	Paid the Bishop's order to Rev. W. P. Law, stove for Whitehall	$ 10 00		
" 16.	" the Bishop's order to Rev. W. P. Law, for Luther	25 00		
1897.				
June 3.	Bal. on hand to new acct	22 23		
				$ 57 23
1893.				
June 3.	Bal. on hand	$ 22 23		

The report was accepted and referred to the Committee on Accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions.

The Rev. W. P. Law, General Missionary of the Grand Rapids Convocation, read his report for the Conventional year.

REPORT.

I have the pleasure to report to the Board of Missions that the work of the General Missionary has been carried on without interruption during the past year. The outlook is not without some encouragement, although it is difficult for one man to build up congregations in a number of places at the same time. Until several resident clergymen are placed in charge of the Missions in the Convocation, the General Missionary must continue to devote most of his time in ministering to congregations already formed. During the year I have held three "Missions" of from six to eight days duration—at Pentwater, Luther and Newaygo. The statistical report submitted to the Bishop shows that 174 services have been held during the year at eleven places. There have been in seven Missions 33 baptisms, and 16 confirmations in four Missions.

St. Andrew's Mission, Hart, Oceana Co., has been organized; a lot has been purchased for a church building at Mancelona, and Christ Church, Luther, has been enlarged and improved.

May God put it into the hearts of men to aid us with prayers and offerings in the missionary work of the Church.

WOODFORD P. LAW,
General Missionary.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary of Kalamazoo Convocation presented his report for the Conventional year.

REPORT.

To the Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D., President, and the Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions:

During the year just closed, the field of the General Missionary in this Convocation mainly consisted of these six stations—Charlotte, Three Rivers, Homer, Union City, Paw Paw and Quincy. Till August last some services were given to Cassopolis and Schoolcraft; but since August these places have been under other and superior charge with greater frequency of services and consequent increase of enthusiasm and hopefulness. Very infrequent services have been given at Grand Ledge. One Sunday I assisted the Bishop in Albion. I have officiated at Grand Haven by invitation on two Sundays, and visited Constantine and Decatur, giving the former a week-day evening service.

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Stated in numerical terms the work amounts to this :

Whole number of Services—Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer....	106
Celebrations of the Holy Communion.....	46
Number of Communions.....	470
Pastoral calls made.....	204
Baptisms (infants 4, adult 1).....	5
Marriages solemnized.....	3
Burials.....	1
Number of miles traveled.....	5847

And now you desire to listen to a summary of the *results*. How cheering it would be to us all could the writer now tell you of *large*—or even of *moderate* gains, not alone of Spiritual things, but of material things also. But he has not had the satisfaction of presenting large classes for confirmation; he has no record to make of exceptionaly liberal Easter offerings or of crowded Easter congregations.

J. W. BANCROFT,
General Missionary.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne read the report of the Woman's Auxiliary, prepared by Mrs. W. G. Austin, President.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

No list of figures can ever give a correct estimate of the work of the Woman's Auxiliary any more than the statement that there is a child in a family, conveys to the outside world what the hopes and aspirations for that child are to the father and mother.

The Auxiliary work represents love and sacrifice from its members; but the fruit of its labors finds its way into distant homes, carrying warmth and sunshine; often giving fresh courage when the hard worked missionary has begun to feel that he is at least neglected if not forgotten.

The actual amount of money raised in this Diocese is not large, but the Auxiliary shows an increase from year to year in membership and a better knowledge of what the Church is doing outside our own doors; in fact there is nothing that will go so far towards overcoming parochialism as this study of Church extension, to know something of what is being done for the amelioration of mankind, through the work of schools and hospitals, together with the teaching of the love of Christ in the redemption of the World.

Many of our Clergy have shown a marked increase of interest in our work within the last year; this is of great assistance to the general officers, as well as to their own people.

We are striving to do a good work, and to do it well. May we not justly expect the personal assistance of every minister in his Parish or Mission, that he will consider it worth doing, and that he will give us the help of his superior knowledge and experience? That with his guidance we may do better work, and then become a power for good in the land.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

Allegan, $22.50, box $20.25.
Albion, $5.63.
Akeley, $40.00.
Battle Creek, $52.00.
Benton Harbor, $115.10, of which $109.10 was for support of their own Mission.
St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, $150.25, box $119.85.
Industrial Band, $56.50, box $11.48.
Grace, Grand Rapids, $5.00, box $22.75.
Grand Haven, $20.00, box $4.50.

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Hastings, $67 97.
Ionia, $34.68, box $15.50.
Kalamazoo, $183.90, box $8.05.
Kalamazoo, Juniors, $11.98, two boxes $15.45.
Manistee, $27.00.
Niles, $20.80, five boxes 72.49.
Niles, Juniors, which is the Sabbath School, $90.00, six boxes $51.80.
Petoskey, parochial, $100.00.
Petoskey, Juniors, gift of Bible, $9.00.
Sturgis, $1.31, five boxes $24.75.
Traverse City, $43.72.
Total in cash, $1057.34; total in boxes $366.87.

Those reporting through the Auxiliary:

Elk Rapids, one box $5.35.
Mancelona, Kalkaska and Three Rivers, five ladies $6.31.
Helping Hand, $473.59.

We were sorry the pledges at our last annual meeting, would not admit of our giving a sum to Akeley, but we hope to raise something for that purpose during the year.

Respectfully yours,

MRS. AUSTIN.

The report was accepted.

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Pledges were made for the support of Missions.

MISSIONARY PLEDGES.

NAMES OF PARISHES, SUNDAY SCHOOLS, ETC.	PARISHES	SUNDAY SCHOOLS	INDIVIDUALS.
Allegan, Good Shepherd	$ 50 00	$.....	$.....
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	75 00	25 00	.....
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	10 00	.....	.....
Coldwater, St. Mark's	60 00	15 00	.....
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	15 00	5 00	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	500 00	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Grace	25 00	.....	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	25 00	5 00	.....
Ionia, St. John's	50 00	.....	.....
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	200 00	.....	.....
Marshall, Trinity	75 00	.....	.....
Muskegon, St. Paul's	50 00	.....	.....
Niles, Trinity	50 00	.....	.....
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	15 00	.....	.....
Charlevoix, Christ	25 00	.....	.....
Muskegon, St. Luke's	25 00	.....	.....
Rockford, St. James'	10 00	.....	.....
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	10 00	.....	.....
Lyons, by Rev. Dr. Thomas	10 00	.....	.....
A Friend, by Rev. Dr. Thomas	.....	.....	10 00
A Friend, by Rev. Dr. Thomas	.....	.....	5 00
Rev. Lewis Brown	.....	.....	10 00
George W. Cole, Albion	.....	.....	5 00
Rev. M. S. Woodruff	.....	.....	5 00
Rev. C. R. Hodge	.....	.....	10 00
Christ'n Endv., Ionia, by Mrs. C. W. Parsons	.....	.....	10 00
Rev. H. C. Vicborn, Albion	.....	.....	5 00
Rev. Wm. Lucas	.....	.....	5 00
Totals	$1280 00	$ 50 00	$ 65 00
Grand Total	.....	.....	$1395 00

Recess was taken until 8:30 a. m. on Thursday.

SECOND DAY--THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 1897.

Morning prayer was said by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Artemus Wetherbee, Wm. Westover and A. E. Wells.

The rolls of the Clergy and Laity were called.

The minutes of previous sessions were read, amended and approved.

The tellers on the election of Missionary Council reported.

REPORT.

No. of ballots cast 28. Necessary to a choice 15.

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ELECTED.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law.....received 19 votes
Mr. George Willard ..... " 26 "

M. S. WOODRUFF,
S. S. MORRIS,
Tellers.

The Committee on Church Literature reported by the Rev. H. P. Vicborn.

REPORT.

The Committee on Church Literature beg leave to submit the following:

We have thought it unnecessary to attempt to take into consideration the whole field which the title would suggest, thinking that more practical results may follow if we confine ourselves to the agencies in our Diocese. When we may not have large things, we must be content with the "day of small things." While it could be devoutly wished that every Church family in our Diocese subscribed for and read a regular Church weekly, in addition to, if not in the place of the mass of general reading matter one may notice in most homes, the fact remains that few, very few do so. The sentence has often gone forth that to the bulk of the people there is no such thing as Church Literature. It is impossible to find in their homes any of the Church publications. There are some—there may be many—who profess to believe the Clergy are largely responsible for this state of affairs. The contention is so old, so worn out, that your Committee feel like apologizing for referring to it here.

To a large extent, "fallow ploughing" must be the order of the day, and to this end better use, we think, could be made of our own humble "CHURCH HELPER."

The managing editor of the HELPER informs your Committee that the subscription list consists of fewer that 500 names; and that the list is rapidly growing smaller.

Even many of these are years in arrears in their payments. The information is also rendered that 800 paid up subscriptions would put the paper on a sound basis; and then comes the not very encouraging announcement that in some of our larger parishes there *are* seven or eight subscribers.

What are we going to do about this? It is a matter which demands our most serious consideration. And the settlement of this one small matter, as it really is, strikes your Committee as being worth tons of philosophy about Church Literature in the abstract.

If there is any usefulness—if there is any power for good in a good Diocesan paper (and we doubt any one denying it), then we ought to have such a medium, and the best and most efficient one, too. And we can have it on the same terms and conditions as we get anything of worth, namely, by the expenditure of interest and work. It will not do to say that the paper is not now what it should be. If this contention is really true, then it should immediately become our serious business to make it what it should be. The same principle applies here as elsewhere. We have a way, in this country, of making an earnest effort for and usually getting what we really want.

The Committee is bold enough to think that our people are at heart earnest enough and churchly enough to desire the continuance of this valable medium between the Bishop and the Diocese, to say nothing of the benefits accruing from the intercourse of the various Parishes and Missions; as such it is indispensable to the Diocese. There is nothing, of which we know, which can take its place. The value of a Diocesan organ is fully attested by the great number of Dioceses which have them, and those among us, competent to speak, cheerfully add their testimony to their worth.

Your Committee would, therefore, throw out a suggestion or two.

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A Diocesan paper is begun and continued for a purpose. And, as that purpose is not the making of money, it ought not be compared in price, or size, or in "breeziness" to the countless secular papers flooding the country and which exist only for the one only purpose of marking their owners rich. The purpose of a Diocesan organ ought to be, and, for that matter, is charitable and educational. It is for this reason that it is not managed as one would run a store, or a bank, or a gold mine. There is probably not a newpaper printed in the United States that does not cost more to produce than for which it is sold. Therefore, the viciousness of the newspaper situation in general, or at least a great part of it, is in having everything depend upon getting advertisements. Now, a Diocesan organ ought to contain very few advertisements, and these few only such as have a direct bearing upon Church extension. Consequently the circulation itself ought to pay. And it is for this reason that your Committee are of the opinion that the CHURCH HELPER is too cheap. The subscriptions ought to pay for its production. If that is considered impossible for a time, then an appropriation to assist in its production might well be considered. Even then it would be the cheapest agency in our Diocesan forces: and there is absolutely no comprehension in the average mind of the mighty missionary power which it would immediately become, could we but get it read in our more than three thousand homes.

Your Committee would therefore reiterate and endorse a recommendation made to the Convention last year: That it be placed in every Church family in the Diocese; and if there *are* any families unable or unwilling to pay for it, that they receive it free.

Passing for a moment to more general Church publications, your Committee recommends the good work done by the Church Periodical Club, and suggest the more general adoption of that work.

We are painfully conscious that these suggestions are far from being new. If they have any value at all, it probably lies in their constant repetition, so that they may in time become, in a greater measure, part of the public mind.

In conclusion, your Committee must congratulate the Clergy of the Diocese in the effort already begun by the Bishop to resuscitate the Diocesan Library. It may not be too much to suggest that for this commendable purpose one offering be taken up in each Parish sometime during the year. The practical utility of the Library would be considerably enhanced if it were possible to add at least some of the newer books as they are issued: the only knowledge of which the most of our Clergy can afford is the very tantalizing reviews which meet their eyes in the Church papers.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. B. VICBORN, Chairman.
A. WETHERBEE,
J. E. NELSON,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The Committee on the Report of the Association of the Diocese reported.

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Association o the Diocese of Western Michigan, beg leave to report that they have examined the same, with the vouchers thereof, and find it correct.

M. H. MARTIN,
H. B. LEWIS
DAVID FISHER,
J. W. BANCROFT,
GEO. T. SAUNDERS.

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The Report was accepted.

The Committee on the Accounts of Board of Missions reported.

REPORT.

The Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, respectfully report that they have examined the same, with accompanying vouchers, and find them correct.

S. BECKWITH,
WM. LUCAS,
E. P. S. MILLER,
EDWIN AUDLIN,
W. C. RANSOM,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The report of Grand Rapids Convocation was read by the Rev. A. E. Wells.

REPORT.

The members of the Grand Rapids Convocation met in St. John's Church, Ionia, June 2nd. No meetings have been held during the year. Rev. Wm. Wright was elected President, and Rev. W. P. Law, Secretary.

A Committee was appointed to ask the Bishop for suggestions with regard to work for the ensuing year. The Bishop complied with the request, urging the Rector of each Parish to go into the next towns and do missionary work.

W. P. LAW,
Secretary.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be extended to the Rector and congregation of St. John's Parish, Ionia, for generous hospitality shown to the members of the Convention during its session.

W. H. VAN ANTWERP.

Adopted.

The Sexton was paid $5 for his services.

The Pages were paid $5 for their services.

The Secretary's salary was fixed at $100.

The Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, extended an invitation to the Convention to meet in that Parish next year.

The invitation was accepted.

The Rev. Wm. E. Wright offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That five hundred copies of the Constitution and Canons be printed.

Adopted.

Five hundred copies of the Journal were authorized to be printed.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to carry out the suggestions of the Committee on Church Literature, relating to the providing

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funds for the purchase of new books for the Diocesan Library, for the use of the Clergy and Laity. This Committee shall also be requested to prepare and circulate a printed catalogue.

Adopted.

The President appointed as Committee on above resolution:

The Rev. Wm. Lucas. The Rev. H. P. Vicborn.
Mr. H. F. Cornell.

The Committee on Delinquent Parishes reported by the Rev. C. R. Hodge.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DELINQUENT PARISHES.

Your Committee would impress on each delinquent Parish the injustice of throwing its burden upon the other Parishes of the Diocese, which is the effect of such delinquency. And recognizing the injustice of such a condition, they would recommend:

That no delinquency be permitted to go over from one Convention to another without a definite plan for its settlement, or for its partial or entire remission in accordance with Article III, Section 2 of the new Constitution. Also, the suspension from union with the Convention of the Diocese of such delinquent Parishes as may show no disposition to comply with its requirements within one year's time.

C. R. HODGE,
M. S. WOODRUFF,
E. T. MONTGOMERY,
H. F. CORNELL,
W. J. STUART.

Mr. F. A. Gorham offered the following as a substitute for the recommendation of the Committee:

Resolved, That a Committee of three Laymen be appointed, which shall take up the question of delinquent assessments and Mission pledges due from each Parish and Mission, with a view of arriving at a settlement of the same, and report to the next Convention.

Adopted.

Rev. J. W. Armstrong presented the subject of the assessment of Emmanuel Church, Petoskey.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff moved that the offer of fifty dollars made by the Emmanuel Church, Petoskey, for settlement of its indebtedness, be accepted.

Adopted by a three-fourths vote or the Convention.

Mr. Wm. J. Stuart offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed to consider and report to the next Convention some better scheme, if possible, than heretofore pursued, for raising and reporting to the Convention or otherwise, the pledges of the various Parishes and Missions for the support of Diocesan Missions.

Adopted.

The hour for meeting of the next Convention was fixed at 9 o'clock a. m.

The amount of $20.11 assessment was remitted to Greenville, St. Paul's Mission by unanimous vote.

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Mr. F. A. Gorham offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Assessments be directed to include in the assessment for the ensuing year the sum of one hundred dollars to be used by Treasurer of the Association in payment for insurance on property held in Trust by the Association at points where these expenses cannot be paid locally.

Adopted.

The following Committees were appointed by the President:

On Methods of Raising Pledges for Diocesan Missions:—The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, the Rev. Wm. E. Wright, the Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Mr. Wm. J. Stuart, Mr. A. C. Torrey.

On Assessments:—Mr. F. A. Gorham, Mr. E. T. Montgomery, Mr. W. H. Tibbs.

The minutes were read and approved.

It was moved and adopted that after the usual devotions the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

At the conclusion of the work of the Convention, the Bishop read that portion of his address relating to deceased Bishops and offered Memorial prayers.

After pronouncing the Benediction the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

GEORGE D. GILLESPIE,
President.

Attest:
J. N. RIPPEY, Secretary.
J. B. HUBBS, Assistant Secretary.

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APPENDIX A.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

This Convention was appointed to be held in St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids. You will recall that there was no application, and the Lay Delegate from St. Mark's tendered the Church. On the removal of the Rector, and the assistant having lately come into the Parish, I thought it wise, under the provisions of the Constitution, Art. II, "The Bishop and the Standing Committee shall have power to change the time and place of the meeting of the Convention when circumstances render it necessary"—to put the matter before the Standing Committee, with an invitation from the Rector and Vestry of St. John's Church, Ionia. The Committee on consideration advised the change.

The Convention should not have to solicit a place for holding its sessions. There are at least twelve Parishes that could easily entertain its members.

We meet in a time "of wars and rumors of wars." Foreign lands are involved in deadly contest and the war-cloud hangs over Europe. In our own land, political parties are in more than usual collision, the interests that extend even to feeding the hungry and clothing the naked, have been long distracted.

The cry of "hard times" has acquired the meaning of want and anxiety among all classes. "The joy" that in past years prevailed "is darkened," "the mirth of the land," as we recall it, "is gone." In these troublesome times, we meet as citizens of another country. For a little season, we step out of the din of national and state legislation, we leave the concourse of anxious countenances, we bid the swift winged messengers from beyond the seas, pass on; and we come together on holy ground,to be the men of affairs of "a kingdom not of this world." We bid "the things which are seen temporal," wait, while we go "into the sanctuary of God," and bring our minds and hearts in touch with "the things which are not seen eternal." May we all feel and act as "helpers together with God," in bringing his children to know here "a peace the world cannot give nor take away," and to secure through His Dear Son, at last, "the weary at rest."

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IN MEMORIAM.

The familiar opening of an Episcopal address is the in memoriam. And I do not recall the exception of a Bishop's name on the list. Since we last met "a burning and a shining light" has passed from the Church Militant. On July 20, 1896, Arthur Cleveland Coxe, D. D., L. L. D.,"was not for God took him." It was no "sudden death" as we pray to be delivered from, but that gentle passage into the eternal life which it always seems to me St. Paul was thinking of and wishing for, when he said, "to me to live is Christ and to die is gain." You need no word from me to awaken, "How is the strong staff broken, and the beautiful rod." What a splendid man he was intellectually, so gifted by heredity, so enlarged by study, a mind of such activity, such originality, all so blended with a chaste imagination—"apples of gold in pictures of silver." But the image of God was even more in the nearness to the ideal of the spiritual man. Who could listen to his voice, or look on his lovely countenance, or even read his page; and not feel "a disciple whom Jesus loved?" True he was impulsive, we sometime read from his pen what we wished he had not written; he was not always the safe guide in anxious debate; but as one, who from opportunity and friendship had deep insight into his character, wrote, "He was human—intensely—and possessed to an unusual degree with the unguardedness of those warm natures, which are concerned rather with what possesses their minds at the moment than with any mere personality of their own, or any thought of effect." (Bp. Doane.) It is to me a sweet memory that more than once he wrote to me approvingly of sentiments I had expressed in print.

There have been deaths among our Laity—good men and women, who will be sadly missed in their Parishes. And this reminds me to say to the Clergy, that I would be thankful to be informed of the decease of those who have been my kind hosts and friends, that I might make some expression of my regard and sympathy.

VISITATIONS.

Through that kind Providence which has lengthened out my days, I have been constantly engaged visiting the Parishes and Missions for Confirmation, and as their circumstances demanded. The exceptions are three and they will have early attention.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The number confirmed in 19 Parishes, 12 Missions and 2 other places is 325.

I have been gratified to hear the Clergy expressing their unwillingness to bring to the Laying on of hands, those whom

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they feared had not seriously considered what the rite implied, and whose lives were not marked by Christian seriousness. But for this I am persuaded that the number would have been much larger.

In every Parish are persons who have been confirmed, some as children and some in mature years, who are indifferent to their obligations, even to "coming not to that holy table," and to very slight if any attention to Public Worship—persons in whom those in intimate relations with them, can see no evidence of the religious conscience and Church attachment. I should be far from saying that the explanation is, hasty, careless admission to confirmation. Infallible "discerning of spirits" is not given to the "workers together with God." All we can do is, to hold up the standard of the Church in faith and practice; and invoking the Spirit's aid, examine and advise. It is uniform pastoral experience to be disappointed in those who had largest confidence, and comforted in those from whom least was expected. Yet the danger to the immortal spirit and the injury to the Church of "the solemn promise and vow," "in the presence of God and the congreation," dishonored; urges not only the general instruction of the class and of the pulpit, but as far as may be, anxious individual conference and counsel.

The subsequent pastoral care is I believe no less necessary than the preceding attention. In the case of the young especially, whose need is the greater, the opportunity is hard to find. Some pastors take the class into the Sunday School and make them their scholars. I have suggested a Saturday class when the youths are released from school. This is pronounced impracticable, but it is sad that it should be so, when the dancing class and the bicycle ride are the chief objections.

For the salvation of souls and the help of the Church's sanctity, we must banish very far from our pastoral policy and plans, that adults should be confirmed because they are not confirmed, and children, because they are "old enough."

THE PROGRESS OF THE YEAR.

The year has been singularly and sadly marked by the absence of Episcopal Acts. A Deacon ordered Priest is all I have to record under this head. The times seem to have shut down on all enterprises demanding extraordinary expenditure. Yet I trust it has not been an utterly "off year" in our holy work.

In connection with the Parishes, we are allowed to record with thankfulness these notes: Holland has put its Church in better order and repair. Cassopolis has acquired by lease a comfortable place of worship. Dowagiac and Lyons, by the kindness of adjoining Rectors, have constant services. The Church at

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Charlevoix has been plastered. The Church at Luther has been removed to the main street, and a Chancel added. Mancelona has acquired and paid for a lot. The debt on St. Luke's Chapel, Muskegon, has been lifted, through the generosity of a New York churchman, and is now in the safe care of the Association. Mt. Pleasant has relieved the Rectory from debt. The Christmas Fund has received from the estate of Mrs. Permelia Pritchard $300, a bequest she meant to be $500, but depreciated value lost us the balance. St. Luke's Kalamazoo, has received $20,000 from the will of Mr. Henry Brees, the late warden.

This is a poor showing for the material, but it were very unseemly to draw our line here when speaking of what a year has brought forth. When I visit a Parish to find it all stirred up with some irritation, something done in imprudence, or a worse manifestation of poor human nature; and then I pass on my way, glad to escape the din; and come to another where the Rector has kind words to say of his people, and I see in the Parsonage home the late evidences of their thoughtfulness, and one and another has a quiet word to say how they are moving along not as rapidly as they could wish, but happily—When so it is as I am "in circuit," it seems to me that this peaceful life is something to be very thankful for; and when a Bishop could put nearly every Parish on the list of "peaceable habitations," he ought to not say too much or sigh too deeply over a fruitless twelvemonth. And then there are the signs here and there of the uplift of the spiritual life—tokens that the Parish is getting more under the titles and within the relations of a household of God.

THE VACANCY AND SUPPLY OF PARISHES.

Four Clergymen have withdrawn from the Canonical list and six have been added. The Rev. Henry D. Chambers, Deacon, has returned to Seabury Divinity School to complete his studies for the Priesthood, and has been transferred at the request of the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota. The Rev. Edward M. Duff, after a year and eight months at St. Paul's, Grand Rapids, has taken work in Minnesota. The Rev. W. W. Taylor has closed a ministry of great acceptableness at Hastings, and yielded to the urging that makes him chaplain to a Church Hospital. Already his place is filled, after a manner that beautifully illustrates the Church's ideal of the settlement of her pastors. The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., lately closed his rectorship of ten and a half years at St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, and is Dean of the Cathedral in Omaha, Nebraska. Aside from his active, earnest ministry in our leading Parish, Dr. Fair has liberally aided and sought to advance all our Diocesan interests, and has been ever ready to assist his brethren

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by Missions and exchanges, and he and his excellent wife have been "the hosts of the whole Church."

Ludington has remained vacant since Mr. Chambers left, and until a better spirit prevails among some of their "women professing godliness," so that they will be more ready to uphold than to critizise their spiritual guide, vacancy will be a necessity.

St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, happily has an Assistant who will watch the fold until a new Shepherd shall be in charge. Albion has had priest and pastor since November 1st, and the new life inspired should urge the people to make every effort to make the bond permanent. Elk Rapids has lay services with an occasional ministerial service. Grand Haven, since Rev. L. C. Rogers' resignation, has had the acceptable ministrations of its former Rector, the Chaplain of Akeley Institute. Grand Rapids, St. Paul's, shows a newness of life under an energetic Rector. Grace has added an Assistant, the Rev. M. H. Martin. Homer declines to even subscribe for the monthly services of the General Missionary.

In the Missions, Charlotte has secured a Sunday in the month and week day services from the General Missionary, and providentially an experienced Lay Reader has come among them. Greenville, has services every other Lord's Day rendered in weakness of body, but with a fervency of spirit they appreciate. Petoskey has had its Minister since January 1, 1897, and is overcoming the injuries of vacancy. Schoolcraft is happy in the Sunday morning services of the Rev. A. Wetherbee. Charlevoix and Harbor Springs have had their usual summer services.

Other points are served by the Rev. J. W. Bancroft and the Rev. W. P. Law, the General Missionaries.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

Ten Clergymen have received aid from the Diocese and the General Board during the whole of the year. The number of places served by local Missionaries, 13. The General Missionaries have given regular services, commonly monthly, to eight places, occasionally to eleven. In all, 60 places are brought more or less under Church influence. The whole expenditure for Missions in our bounds has been $3536.14. Our Diocesan Fund has contributed to Church Erection $35.80. The Rectory Fund has now loaned to Churches and Akeley Institute $1400. When in September the Board met to make the appropriations, they were confronted by the facts, of diminished pledges; the uncertainty, owing to the times, of payment; and especially that the General Board could not venture to appropriate beyond the quarter. In view of these facts, they very reluctently reduced stipends in all, $535.

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The points that have received attention from the parochial Clergy are: Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's and the Southwest Section, Rev. C. Fair, D. D.; St. John's, Rev. J. B. Hubbs; Muskegon, St. Luke's, Rev. P. W. Mosher; Lyons, W. H. Thomas, D. D; Cassopolis and Dowagiac, Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner. Harbor Springs has again been under the summer care of the Bishop of Missouri.

The Board of Missions issued an appeal to the Clergy in November, placing before them "the definite proposition of each one devoting at least two weeks before the next Convention in voluntary missionary work, visiting villages and districts of a size warranting the expectation, that there are Church people resident, and that there is an element of population that would welcome our ministrations." I am pained to state that from only two was any response received. I am not aware of any case where the suggestion has been fully carried out. I suppose this is regarded as only something the Bishop "has on his brain," but something on the brain may come from the heart. I will worry you no more with what has become an old story. I may have this consolation, that should the future Bishop have the same mind, what I have often urged may help to "the two or three witnesses in whose mouth every word may be established."

The work of the General Missionaries is sometimes criticised as affording so small an amount of service and attention to the places under their charge. This small amount yet keeps the children of the Church in loving touch with her, protects them in their loyalty amid efforts to draw them away, secures to them and their children the blessing of the Sacraments, brings the youth and others to Confirmation, gives the comforting sense of a pastorate, makes known the Church and wins those without. These little Missions, with the Sunday School, and often the Lay Reader, and the General Missionary coming one Sunday in four and giving other services; have a real Church strength and growth. I can see in our conditions no other way of extending the Diocese. There is not one of the points thus served that could sustain a Minister with any aid the Diocese could extend; and if it could, the field would be too limited for his energy and encouragement. I do not know of any combination of even two or three points that would be equal to this. Then there is a consideration to which our experience gives great force, towns in Northern Michigan, our best Missionary field, are uncertain in their prospects and after the large Missionary expenditure which some would substitute, there may be little to show.

Lay work has been rendered in the Parishes at Battle Creek, Elk Rapids, Grand Haven, Grand Rapids—St. Paul's, Holland, Marshall. In the Missions: Charlevoix, Grand Rapids—St.

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Beda's, Homer, Muskegon—St. Luke's, Mendon, Petoskey, Three Rivers.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONFERENCE AND THE QUIET DAYS.

The Semi-Annuals have been at Holland and Mendon. The Quiet Days for the Clergy and for Women were conducted at Muskegon, the Rt. Rev. John H. White, D. D., Bishop of Indiana, kindly accepting my invitation to conduct the exercises. His helpful addresses should have reached a larger number.

In future, in making the appointment for the Clergy, I shall be governed by the number promising attendance. It is mortifying to me to ask a Bishop or Rector to come to us and his kindness seem not to be appreciated.

Missions and Quiet Days have been held in several Parishes, conducted by Clergymen in the Diocese and from abroad. The Rev. Mr. Law has strengthened his work by spending a week in a Mission with continuous services.

GENERAL MISSIONS.

The offering to our Domestic and Foreign Missions for the year ending September 1, 1896, amounted to $1,634.47, $143.95 in excess of the previous year. For the present year the sum collected up to April 1st is very much below what was secured last year up to this time. For two years our Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society has made the honorable record of closing the year withour debt. It is to be hoped that this will not be broken I trust that we will do our part.

The policy of assigning to each Diocese a certain sum to be raised will probably come in force with the new year. While we have a good rank as a contributing Diocese, standing last year 28 in the list of 58 Dioceses, a glance at the table will show three Parishes, having 458 Communicants, contributing nothing, and in many cases such meagre offerings that we can only be credited with 31 cents to a Communicant, and this including children's offerings and the money raised by the Woman's Auxiliary. Yet the Missionary spirit that embraces Domestic and Foreign grows among us. The monthly Missionary service for the Parish and for the Sunday School, is established in most of the Parishes. We are gradually emerging from that wretched Diocesanism born of Parochialism, that grudges the gift to any Treasury that has not our name inscribed on it, and would say the Creed, mentally translating "the Holy Catholic Church" into our Diocese, as some people translate it into our Parish.

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THE CHRISTMAS FUND.

No object should be dearer to the hearts of the Clergy and Laity than that which is commonly known under this name. If the Clergyman contemplates no needed benefit to himself and his family from this provision, yet his sympathies should be with his brethren, to whom advancing years or failing health brings anxieties. And the Laity certainly knows what age and sickness generally mean to the Pastors, and death to their families. I have not generally voiced this appeal, and rather left it to the force of its plain meaning. But when I notice the sum total from offerings and interest at our disposal, I think I ought to remind you, that while this may be adequate for present necessities, that with a view to future claims the principal should be increasing. A Bishop of a Western Diocese of the same age as ours, told me that one of his great cares was to provide for his disabled Clergy. The Canon calls for the offering "on Christmas Day or the Sunday preceding or succeeding Christmas Day." While the Nativity that brought "peace on earth and good will to men" has a beautiful fitness; I believe that generally it were wise to avail of the permitted change. Christmas Day is not noted for the large congregation and its spirit does not seem to reach the offertory.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Our good women sustain the credit of the Diocese for all that the Auxiliary proposes. Their work moves along so methodically and calmly that the Bishop thankfully acknowledges that he has no concern about it, save gratification, and hope and prayer for its continuance. The money collected during the year as reported at the late meeting at Allegan, was $1,041.49. The value of boxes was $377.21.

My desire is strong as ever, "although God make it not to grow," that we might have, if not with the actual setting apart to the office, the deaconess in work and spirit. The Methodists have established the Deaconess House in Detroit and Grand Rapids, and they are working on the very lines I have indicated. Are not our women too distrustful of themselves, too much alarmed by a title they need not bear if the prefer not? Let them bring their good will to the Bishop, and he will decide whether they are "found meet." My time is short and I want to leave to the Diocese two or three Phebes, "Servants of the Church" which is in Western Michigan.

SOCIETIES IN THE CHURCH.

The Society for the Increase of the Ministry, credits us in its last report only $11 from two Parishes. We have not for

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several years drawn on its funds, but there is a large indebtedness for grants in former years, and the obligation should be honored. The American Church Building Fund Commission knows the Diocese mainly by being asked to give and to loan; only two Parishes and one individual remembered it last year, and they only to the extent of $9. It has given us, through St. Paul's, Grand Rapids, $200, and September 1, 1896, held the obligation of that Parish for $100 balance of a loan. The Missionary to the Deaf Mutes reports received in the Diocese, aside from his stipend, $10.18. The Church Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews credited for the year $46.77.

It is evident that except the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society our Charities does not extend beyond the Diocese. Organizations of Church enterprise have been so multiplied that it is impossible to keep note of them, much more to aid their funds. Yet the Societies named and in the list in our Church Almanacs, are not to be lost sight of.

THE ST. ANDREW'S BROTHERHOOD.

This organization that has grown to such strength and influence has been brought to the better notice of the Diocese by a visit of two of its active members to some of our leading Parishes, and a discussion of its capabilities at our last Semi-Annual. You have been notified that on Thursday evening a meeting will be held in this Church in its behalf under the auspices of Brotherhood men in the diocese. I have gladly consented to the proposition, as so far the Diocese has rather held back from the movement. It gives the opportunity for what is so much needed, some spiritual work on the part of men. We are in danger of drawing a line that leaves men out in promoting the work of the Church to which all temporal interests are far subservient. Where are the Churchmen "doing all such good works as God has prepared for them to walk in," when all we ask of them is to bring their business capacity into a vestry meeting? If the young men who come to Confirmation are not willing to take the two simple obligations of the Brotherhood so naturally growing out of their vow, be assured there is something wrong and the Pastors who presented them should know what it is.

AKELEY INSTITUTE.

The School closes in June with an attendance of 26 boarders, 3 of whom have not been present all the year. The generous offer of the Principal and Chaplain, proved I fear by their diminished income, has relieved us from the anxiety of deficiency on receipts for running expenses, while it will from this time place in our hands means toward meeting interest, insurance, repairs and other expenses.

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The payment for the past year has been mainly used in meeting the deficiency of the previous year. We have received gifts from without the Diocese, $233.50; from within, $252 00; in all, $485.50. It is very gratifying to state that over two-thirds of this sum has come to us without any direct solicitation. The Confirmees' Fund has realized $105 70. Here I must own disappointment. 423 is a very small representation of the 6713 I have confirmed, who may reasonably be supposed to remain in the Diocese. The sum asked is so small, the association with one of the most solemn and affecting events of life, so touching, that one would think that only abject poverty would refuse; and the tale that comes from Rectors "the agent in whose hand I placed the matter, was utterly discouraged," "I urged the people but they would not contribute," must cause the deep sigh.

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

We could not expect that in the deplorable financial condi tion of the country, our vested funds would wholly escape difficulty and diminution. The statement which the Treasurer of the Association, at my suggestion, lays before you, while it shows foreclosures and probable valuation less than the face of the obligation; proves how carefully investments have been made, and how fully we are warranted in the confidence placed in the Board of Trustees, and especially in the Treasurer. In these years of panic not every Bishop can say, that his bank account has never failed the household, nor every Treasurer that he has not had to be a borrower. The statement annually published a month before the Convention, shows a much larger sum of the assessments unpaid than is common at this date. This bears with it no blame, except to Parishes that are careless alike in good times and bad. Yet it should be remembered, that unpaid assessments this year means increased assessments next year, and that the delinquent Parish virtually solicits its fellow parishes to pay its debts. I would be glad to assist the Diocese as I was able to do for fourteen years, but the advances I have been compelled to make for the Diocesan School and the liabilities I have incurred, prevent.

The complaint of assessments comes from a very feeble understanding and appreciation of Episcopacy, that even puts the matter as so much paid for an annual visit of the Bishop; or from a disposition to adjust the amount by the Parish's own ideas rather than the perfectly fair system of the Canon. Each Parish pays according to its ability as shown by its expenditures. To attempt to adjust the amount by the supposed ability of the Parish, determined by a hastily acting Committee, would involve wearying and painful discussion in the Convention. It was probably the remembrance of this in the

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old Diocese, that led the framers of our Canon to formulate the present plan. I fear we lose sight of the liberality that when the Diocese was formed provided the Episcopal fund, that furnishes more than two-thirds of the Bishop's salary. Had it not been for the strict construction of the Constitution—"And such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese," (Art. V.); and the liberality, for nearly all of which we must thank the dead, I am persuaded that Western Michigan would to-day, like even stronger Dioceses, be imposing a crushing burden of assessment on its Parishes.

THE RE-INCORPORATION OF PARISHES.

The State law requiring the "re-organization of Corporations for religious purposes" after a period of thirty years, and that the "meeting for this purpose shall be held within two years after such expiration;" and some Parishes having allowed the thirty-two years to elapse, I felt the importance of securing some legislation to meet the case. Through correspondence with the Bishops of Michigan and Marquette, a committee was formed who drew up a bill and presented it to the Legislature. It has become an Act which removes the time limit.

PAROCHIAL LIMITS.

A question having arisen whether services established in a section of Grand Rapids were an invasion of the rights of a neighboring Rector and his Parish; under the provisions of Title I, Canon 18, Sec. VI. [2] I submitted the case to "the Ministers of the city," they declining to decide and referring the case to me, I permitted the continuance of the Services where held, with the understanding that I should submit the whole matter of Parish Boundaries to the Convention under Title III, Canon 3, Sec. ii [1]. "The ascertainment and defining of the boundaries of existing Parishes or parochial cures, as well as the establishment of a new Church or Congregation, and forming a new Parish within the limits of any other Parish, is left to the action of the several Diocesan Conventions, for the Dioceses respectively." I ask the appointment of a Commission "to ascertain and define," whose action shall be final.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMISSION.

The history of this Commission has not been a happy one and is not creditable to the Diocese.

In September, 1896, the Bishop appointed the Commission, consisting of three Clergymen and six of the Laity. As preliminary to their work, in January, 1897, he sent out a list of questions framed to ascertain the condition of our Sunday

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Schools, and to secure the views of the Clergy as to their improvement. The intention was when the answers were sent in to lay them before the Commission to aid them in preparing a report to be presented to the Semi-annual, and if deemed advisable to be brought into the Convention.

Up to April 1st, only nine answers had been received. A list of non-reporting schools was inserted in the CHURCH HELPER with the result of one more school reporting. A meeting of the Commission was called for April 9th. One member promised attendance. Six sent apologies, and from two no answer was received.

While I can see improvement in our Sunday Schools, I believe that generally they might assume a higher grade of excellence. Some of the defects that strike me are: 1. The length of the opening exercises. An hour's school will not admit of more than a hymn, the Creed and a Collect. There is severer criticism than the length of time. The Services are framed as an abbreviated Morning Prayer, thus implying a substitution for Church attendance. We may have to face the the fact that the children are not in Church, but we do not want to authorize it. 2. Too short a time allowed for instruction, and this permitted to be interrupted by distribution of books and papers and other parts of the machinery. Especially with a Bible class forty five minutes is none too long. 3. A lack of order and system. The children are trained to this in their schools, and while they may not object to he free and easy ways of their Sunday Schools, they will have little respect for it, and the way to utilize time is to methodize and forbid disorder. 4. Uninstructed and uninterested teachers. A class in such hands is worth nothing, these may be even injury to a child's religious instincts. If a Parish cannot furnish a body of teachers, fair-minded in all senses, let departments take the place of the small class so that a few can form the corps. The sections can be so placed even in a small Church as not to interfere with each other. 5. Too limited attention to instruction in the Catechism that ought to be the great work of the school. A question and answer appended to a leaflet is regarded of little value. Probably the best method would be, to have one Sunday in the month as Catechism Sunday, in which attention shall be confined to the words and meaning of the Catechism.

I say nothing as to the relation of the Rector to the Sunday School, lest I should repeat myself from last year, except to quote from a very excellent article, entitled "Systematic Catechising," by the Rev. H. H. Oberly. (The Churchman, May 1, 1897.)

"In a few years those who are now children will be men and women, and they will be the "pillars" of the Church. If they

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are properly instructed now they will be pillars of strength then; if they are neglected now, they will give but a poor support to the Church in the future, either in doctrine, or moral influence, or intellectual power, or financial aid. The clergy of the next generation will lament the prevalence of heterodoxy even more than we do now, because there are more people to be contaminated with error, and there are more agents for the discrimination of heresy than there were twenty-five or thirty years ago.

While the Sunday School can only slightly meet the evil, I can but call attention to the complaints I hear so constantly of not only the ill manners but the loose morals of youth. It is a significant fact that our Legislature was so importuned to pass the so-called Curfew Bell, requiring children under 16 years of age to be off the streets by 9 o'clock, that it acceded, although the veto of the Governor rested on sound principles of law and justice. Education is not protecting morality. Of 342 boys received in 1895–6 in our Industrial Home for Boys, only three were reported, "could not read." Of 181 girls received in the similar Institution for Girls, 33 "could not read or write," but the rest had had school influence "from first grade to High School." There is something wanting that the School does not profess to give. I ventured to approach the Annual Teachers' Convention of the State with a suggestion that the Ten Commandments should be put up in every school room, but it met with only the courtesy of entry on the Minutes. The matter concerns every citizen. It is not enough to say—these profane, obscene, unchaste, dishonest, violent tempered, ungovernable boys and girls are in a lower strata of society; they are not all there, as many a polished home knows to its sorrow; and if they were, they are part of a community, they come in touch as in schools with higher social grades, and we owe them the obligation of the stronger to the weaker, the obligation to Heaven to rescue young lives "from the offences of their forefathers," and from the environment of poverty and degradation.

PENAL AND PAUPER INSTITUTIONS.

I have devoted four Sundays and Thanksgiving Day to Michigan State Prison, the House of Correction, the School for the Blind, the Industrial Home for Boys, the Industrial Home for Girls, the School for the Deaf. To this has been added the visitation of State Institutions 14 times, of Jails 13, Poor Houses 6, attendance at the National Conference of the Board of Corrections and Charities, the Annual Conference of the Board of Corrections and Charities, the Annual Meeting of the Superintendents of the Poor, and meetings of the Board at Lansing and elsewhere. I have also delivered Lectures on penal mat-

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ters at the Agricultural College and at Grand Haven. What might seem a large devotion of time has never been allowed to interfere with my chief duties, and the change of association with no pecuniary anxieties has been a mental relief.

CONGRATULATION.

Though I had occasion in this Address to criticise, and to express regrets, I must congratulate the Diocese on our general condition. With the exception of the two Parishes recently vacated all that are capable of support are filled, and I have never known a time when our Clergy list included so many "able ministers of the New Testament," able as laborers "in the word and doctrine," as well as wise and earnest as shepherds of the flock. This under God's blessing promises prosperity. With two exceptions our Parishes are not burdened with indebtedness. Our Diocesan Funds tell no tales of impairment by deceptive investment or breach of trust, such as sadly come to us from sister Dioceses. "Unity, peace and concord" prevail, with no more exception than must be with human weaknesses and frailties. And as I go in and out among our households of faith while there will be chilling signs that all is not well, there is far more to cheer and to lift up the heart to Him "from whom all good things do come."

CONCLUSION.

And now, dear brethren of the Clergy and Laity, I commend you in our proceedings, to that impulse and direction that the Holy Spirit presiding in the Church pledges us. I read the other day "The average Diocesan Convention is lamentably dry and technical." I presume we must be included in the "average," but I cannot consent, that watchful care over sacred funds, marking out the pathway of diocesan and parochial life by intelligent legislation, taking account of our stewardship in the highest, holiest trusts; may be censured "lamentably dry and technical." Surely all this is not excepted from "do all to the glory of God."

THE COLLECT.

Lord, we beseech Thee to keep Thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through Thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve Thee in good works, to the glory of Thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

The Episcopal visits and visitations are so generally attended with the Bishop's preaching, administering the Holy Communion, and addressing the children, that it is not necessary to mention in every instance.

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June 2–4. Tuesday, Thursday, KALAMAZOO, ST. LUKE'S. The Convention. 26 Clergymen and 28 Laymen were present, the latter representing 13 Parishes and 3 Missions. The proposed Constitution having been rejected, amendments were adopted, and as thus amended it comes before this Convention for final action. No consideration was had of the proposed Canons. A new feature was a report on the State of the Church.

June 4–10. GRAND RAPIDS. The National Conference of Corrections and Charities. Attended the meetings as far as engagements at Akeley Institute would allow. It was a great school of instruction on penal and pauper matters. The ability of the writers and speakers would have made prominent any convention.

June 7. First Sunday after Trinity. AKELEY INSTITUTE. Delivered the Baccalaureate sermon, and in the evening delivered an address in the chapel.

June 9. Tuesday. Attended the meeting of the Trustees. The financial reports showed the prompt payment of the interest on the bonds, by donations from within and without the Diocese; insurance met by a loan; a deficiency of $360 was met by drawing on the income for the next year. This income is secured under a new arrangement, by which the principals assume the running expenses and pay to the Trustees a certain sum for each pupil. A vote of thanks was passed to the teachers and pupils for their spirit and enterprise in securing funds to paint Blanche Hall.

June 10. The Commencement. The address was by Rev. Dr. Van Antwerp—the old theme of woman's position, but enforced with original, sparkling thoughts and the resources of the speaker's wide reading and observation. Diplomas were presented to three graduates. Evening. In ST. MARK'S, Church a marriage.

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June 14. Second Sunday after Trinity. MT. PLEASANT. ST. JOHN'S MISSION. Preached at three services and confirmed 4.

June 18. Thursday. MENDON, ST. PAUL'S. Ordered Priest the Rev. Carl Reed Taylor, the sermon preached by the Rev. J. W. Bancroft; also presented the candidate. The Parish was selected under my rule—always if practicable to ordain in the field of labor of the candidate.

June 21. Third Sunday after Trinity. ALBION. ST. JAMES.' Preached, and held a Parish meeting to urge the calling of a Rector.

June 30. Tuesday. HOMER. Solemnized matrimony for two couples.

July 2. Thursday. Left for my summer cottage, returning September 2d. July 5, 12, 26, August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, the 5th, 6th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th Sundays after Trinity. Officiated in CHRIST CHURCH, CHARLEVOIX, and took part in the services. The Rev. Messrs. Thomas and Claiborne kindly assisted me, preaching on three occasions.

Julp 19. Seventh Sunday after Trinity. MARQUETTE. Officiated in the Upper Peninsula Prison.

July 31. Friday. MANCELONA, NATIVITY. Confirmed 2. The removal of two prominent families has dimmed our good expectations here, but the people will not give up.

August 13. Thursday. EAST JORDAN, REDEEMER. Officiated. The Mission has been left almost entirely without services.

August 19. Wednesday. Had the pleasure of receiving at my cottage the children of the Sunday School.

August 20. Thursday. CENTRAL LAKE, ST. MATTHIAS.' Preached. The church remains unfinished.

September 13. Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity. MICHIGAN STATE PRISON, JACKSON. Preached and attended the Sunday School and prayer meeting.

September 15–16. Tuesday and Wednesday. MT. CLEMENS. Attended the Annual Convention of the Superintendents of the Poor.

September 20. Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity. Preached at the HOUSE OF CORRECTION AND REFORMATORY at IONIA. The more I am acquainted with the work of the Chaplain, the more I am persuaded that a more useful ministry does not exist among us.

September 22. Tuesday. THE EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE. The meeting of the Diocesan Board of Missions. The General Board being unable to extend the appropriation beyond the quarter, and the Missions being so slow in notifying what they would promise for services, delayed the meeting that should be held very soon after the Convention. The former we can not regulate; the latter we can. It would almost seem as i

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some men when put on a Vestry or constituted a Church officer, divest themselves of the usual promptitude and accuracy of business men—such delay in correspondence, such wretched blundering in presenting facts and figures. An ordinary clerk, who should lay on his principal's table such documents as come to a Bishop Secretary, would soon be told to vacate his desk. It would be indeed a saving of precious time, would the Clergy and Laity realize that when a Bishop asks for figures and facts he wants them, and should not be taxed to write and write to secure them.

September 25. Friday. WHITEHALL, REDEEMER. Preached. The Parish is affected almost to its destruction by the depression of the place.

September 27. Seventeenth Sunday after Trinty. HOLLAND, GRACE. Confirmed 11. The Parish progresses under its able Rector—better than, from the peculiarities of the place, we could expect.

September 29. St. Michael's and All Angels', GRAND RAPIDS, ST. MARK'S. Officiated.

October 4. Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. MARK'S. Preached, this being the anniversary of the 60th year of the Parish and 10th of the present rectorship.

October 11th. Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity. HOMER, CHRIST. Officiated. The Canon declares with reference to Lay Readers: "Such license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a congregation without a Minister, which is able and has had reasonable opportunity to secure the services of an ordained Minister." (Title I, Canon 12, Sec. I.) This Parish could at least make provision for stated services by the General Missionary.

October 18. Twentieth Sunday after Trinity. MUSKEGON. ST. PAUL'S. United with the Rector in observance of Sunday School Sunday; preaching at ST. PAUL'S, and addressing teachers and scholars at ST. LUKE'S.

October 25–29. CINCINNATI, THE MISSIONARY COUNCIL. I was happy to be able, after some years' absence, to attend one of these meetings and do my part towards its usefulness. The standard of addresses and discussions proved the good head of the Church in its Missionary work. Three Clergy of the Diocese were present.

October 25. Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity. GRACE CHURCH, COLLEGE HILL. Preached on Missions.

November 1. All Saints' Day. AKELEY INSTITUTE. Preached morning and evening.

November 8. Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity. TRINITY, THREE RIVERS. Confirmed 2.

November 15. Twenty third Sunday after Sunday. GRAND

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RAPIDS, A. M., ST. PAUL'S. Introduced the new Rector. Evening, GRACE CHURCH. Preached.

November 17–19 HOLLAND, GRACE. The Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference. Present, 18 Clergymen. The expressions of pleasure at the meeting being appointed in the Parish were very gratifying.

November 22. Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity. CHARLOTTE, GRACE. Preached twice. At a meeting held after service the proposition that the General Missionary should give them one Sunday a month, they paying at the rate of $125 per annum, was accepted.

November 26. Thanksgiving Day. FLINT, SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF. Endeavored to lead the minds of these 400 children of silence to the blessings God yet vouchsafes them.

November 29. First Sunday in Advent. ELK RAPIDS, ST. PAUL'S. Confirmed 8 and baptized an infant. Through Lay services and the Sunday School the Parish is sustained, but there is a keen desire for a Rector

November 30. St. Andrew's Day. TRAVERSE CITY, GRACE. Evening, preached and confirmed 1. There is no change in the painful condition here. "Ephraim is a cake not turned, strangers have devoured his strength and he knoweth it not; yea, grey hairs are here and there upon him, yet he knoweth not."

December 6. Second Sunday in Advent. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. MATTHEW'S MISSION. Preached.

December 9–10. Wednesday, Thursday. REED CITY. The Annual Conference and Convention of the Board of Corrections and Charities.

December 11. Friday Evening. PETOSKEY, EMMANUEL. Officiated and held a conference with the congregation. The Clergyman I named was soon after called and accepted. The Mission has every reason to be satisfied with the choice.

December 13. Third Sunday in Advent. CHARLEVOIX, CHRIST MISSION. Officiated at two services. The arrangements I had made for Clerical services one Sunday in the month failed, but Lay Services and the Sunday School have been sustained.

December 20. Fourth Sunday in Advent. LANSING. Spent the day at the SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND and the INDUSTRIAL HOME FOR BOYS, with addresses to 99 in the former and 600 in the latter.

December 25. Christmas Day. THREE RIVERS, TRINITY MISSION. Attended the children's celebration in the evening, and officiated on the day. The Holy Day here, as I fear in many places, was compelled to give way to the holiday.

December 27. Sunday after Christmas. QUINCY, ST. JOHN'S MISSION. Officiated. The purchase of an organ, which by its

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size disfigures the church and destroys the Vestry room, prevents raising the means to secure services.

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January 3. Second Sunday after Christmas. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. JOHN'S. A. M. Officiated. Evening, SOLDIERS' HOME. Officiated. When our vacancies are supplied, I hope to make provision for attention to the members of our Communion in the Home.

January 10. First Sunday after Epiphany. UNION CITY, GRACE. Officiated. I urged, as I always do when necessary, to renew the insurance. It is a mistaken idea that where the title of the property of the Parish is held by the Association, the Diocese is responsible for the insurance. The Diocese has no fund for the purpose, and if it had, there is no obligation; the Diocese derives no benefit from holding the property; the arrangement is entirely for the benefit of the people

January 17. Second Sunday after Epiphany. GRAND HAVEN, ST. JOHN'S. Officiated in the church and chapel.

January 24. Third Sunday after Epiphany. ROCKFORD Officiated.

January 29. Friday. At a private house. Presented two of the leaders in this country of the Salvation Army.

January 31. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany. GREENVILLE, ST. PAUL'S. Officiated The Mission is slowly gaining.

February 7. Fifth Sunday after Epiphany. MENDON, ST. PAUL'S. Confirmed 4. The chancel has been much improved by a new altar and other furniture.

February 8. Monday. STURGIS, ST. JAMES' MISSION. Confirmed 6. The Mission wishes to secure a lot, and I wish we could help them.

February 14. Septuagesima. HASTINGS, EMMANUEL. Confirmed 13. In the evening I was present at the Young People's meeting. With recognition of Churchly ways, the devotions with the Prayer Book and the Hymnal, the Rector's sanction for all that is proposed, I can see only good from these meetings. They help the young to "working out their own salvation," and make them fellow-helpers one of another.

February 21. Sexagesima. BIG RAPIDS, ST. ANDREW'S. Officiated. The city seems to have more than its portion of the hard times, and the Church, never vigorous—the fault, in part, of poor location, feels the pressure; yet, less yielding and more energy would improve the situation.

February 22. Washington's Birthday. AKELEY INSTITUTE. Appropriate exercises, very creditable to the pupils. To awaken and cherish a pure patriotism in her daughters will we trust ever be Akeley's aim.

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February 24. St. Matthias' Day. MUSKEGON, ST. PAUL'S. The Quiet Days for the Clergy and for women. The addresses, the devotions—especially the Holy Communion, hallowed for me the anniversary of my Consecration. Thirteen Clergymen were present; the women were chiefly from the Parish. As, in my travels, I see the car largely filled with women going to or coming from some Convention, I can but wish that our women had the same enthusiasm.

February 28. Quinquagesima. GRAND HAVEN, ST. JOHN'S. Preached in the church and chapel.

March 3. Ash Wednesday. MT. PLEASANT, ST. JOHN'S. Confirmed 6.

March 4. Thursday. CLARE. Confirmed 1. Rev. Mr. Westover officiates here once a month.

March 7. First Sunday in Lent. BENTON HARBOR, HOLY TRINITY. Confirmed 15. P. M., ST. JOSEPH, ST. PAUL'S MISSION. Confirmed 8. The Mission is trying to secure a lot.

March 12. Friday. GRAND RAPIDS, GRACE. Confirmed 1.

March 14. Second Sunday in Lent. IONIA, ST. JOHN'S. Confirmed 8. P. M., LYONS, Confirmed 7. Before the Diocese was formed, a Parish with a church existed here; it was sold, and part proceeds are held by the Association in trust. There seems now a good opportunity of replanting the Church.

March 15. Monday Evening, GRAND RAPIDS. Addressed the Waterloo Mission.

March 16. LUTHER, CHRIST MISSION. Confirmed 7, partly the fruits of a Mission held by the general Missionary.

March 17. Wednesday. TUSTIN, ST. JOHANNES.' Preached. The Church is too dilapidated to be used in winter. There are in and near the village several church families.

March 21. Third Sunday in Lent. MARSHALL, TRINITY. Confirmed 10. P. M., BATTLE CREEK, ST. THOMAS. Confirmed 35.

March 23. Tuesday. NEWAYGO, ST. MARK'S. Preached.

March 24. GRAND HAVEN, ST. JOHN'S. Delivered a lecture on Crime and Criminals.

March 28. Fourth Sunday in Lent. KALAMAZOO, ST. LUKE'S. Confirmed 15.

April 2. Friday. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. PAUL'S. Lectured.

April 4. Fifth Sunday in Lent. GRAND RAPIDS. GRACE. Confirmed 6. P. M., ST. JOHN'S MISSION. Confirmed 4.

April 5. Monday. ROCKFORD, ST. JAMES.' Confirmed 3.

April 11. Sunday before Easter. ALLEGAN, GOOD SHEPHERD. Confirmed 8. One in private.

April 14–15. Wednesday and Thursday before Easter. SCHOOLCRAFT, ST. STEPHEN'S. Confirmed 5 and held 3 services.

April 16. Good Friday. ALBION, ST. JAMES.' Confirmed 14.

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April 18. Easter Day. MUSKEGON, ST. PAUL'S. Confirmed 14. P. M., ST. LUKE'S. Preached.

April 20. Tuesday in Easter week. MANISTEE, HOLY TRINITY. Confirmed 16. I regret that the pecuniary condition, especially the debt on the property, threatens the resignation of the active Rector.

April 21. Wednesday. GRAND RAPIDS, GRACE. Confirmed 1.

April 25. First Sunday after Easter. COLDWATER, ST. MARK'S. Confirmed 8. With the improvement in the Parish, I trust that there will be a return to former liberality towards outside objects.

April 26. Monday. Engaged in examination of a case of suspension from the Holy Communion.

April 27–29. Tuesday, Thursday. MENDON, ST. PAUL'S. The Semi-Annual and Diocesan Church Conference. Four teen Clergy in attendance. The congregation showed their appreciation of the appointment. On Thursday a. m. I addressed the Clergy.

April 29 Thursday evening. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. MARK'S. Confirmed, 38. This service closed the rectorship of the Rev. Dr. Fair.

May 2. Second Sunday after Easter. ADRIAN, THE INDUSTRIAL HOME FOR GIRLS. Officiated twice and visited all the cottages. Of 300 inmates, only 5 are registered as having any relation to this Church.

May 3. Friday. GRAND RAPIDS. Officiated with the Rector of Grace Church at the funeral of Samuel L. Fuller, an earnest churchman of intimate relation to the Church in the city and in the Diocese.

May 9. Third Sunday after Easter. PENTWATER, ST. JAMES' MISSION. Confirmed 4. This is one of our live Missions though with services only one Sunday a month and Sunday School. Evening, Hart, preached.

May 10. Monday. The annual visit of the deaf mutes to the Episcopal residence.

May 16. Fourth Sunday after Easter. NILES, TRINITY. Confirmed, 15.

May 17. Monday. CASSOPOLIS, ST. JAMES' MISSION. Confirmed 2. There is here a revival of interest.

May 17. Monday evening. DOWAGIAC, ST. ALBAN'S MISSION. Confirmed, 6, and conferred with the Church people. In a town where I have long been desirous to establish the Church, there is now an interest that gives hope of settling a clergyman in connection with Cassopolis.

May 19. Wednesday. ALLEGAN, GOOD SHEPHERD. The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary. Made an address. The Auxiliary grows in interest and strength. It should exist in some form in every Parish and Mission.

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May 23. Fifth Sunday after Easter. GRAND RAPIDS, TRINITY. Preached, evening, ST. PAUL'S. Confirmed, 17. The Parish has adopted pew renting. It is very gratifying to see the awakened interest here

May 30. Sunday after Ascension Day. A. M. GRACE CHURCH, GRAND RAPIDS. I was glad to offer my tribute to the faithful service of the Rector, and his uniform courtesy and kindness in our relations.

SUNDRY MEETINGS.

During the year I have attended sundry meetings as follows:

DIOCESAN BOARD.

Board of Missions.—June 4, September 22, November 17, 1896; April 28, 1897.—4.

The Association of the Diocese and the Trustees.—June 4 (2), 1896; January 22.—3.

Parishes and Vestries—June 21, St. James', Albion; June 18, St. Paul's, Grand Rapids; September 21, St. Matthew's, Grand Rapids; October 6, St. Paul's Grand Rapids Vestry; Oct. 11, Christ, Homer; November 22, Grace, Charlotte; December, 11, 1896, Emmanuel, Petoskey; January 25, South West Mission; January 31, St. Paul's, Greenville; February 1, Vestry of St. Paul's and members of South West Mission; February 13. Emmanuel, Hastings; March 7, St. Paul's Mission, St. Joseph; April 26, St. Mark's Coldwater (2); May 17; Dowagiac. —15.

Akeley Institute.—June, 7, visit with service; June 9, Trustee Meeting; 10th, Commencement; November 1, visit with service, 1896; January 17, visit with service; February 22, 28, with service.—7.

The Clericus of Grand Rapids. October 2; November 5; 16; December 23, 1896; January 28; March 25; April 22.—7.

The Board of Corrections and Charities.—June 6, Meeting; July 16, Northern Asylum; 17, Upper Peninsula Hospital; 18–19, U. P. Prison; September 8, School for Deaf; Oak Grove Asylum; 13, Michigan State Prison; 15–16. Convention Superintendents of the Poor; 17, Michigan Asylum; 20. House of Correction and Reformatory; 23, School for the Blind; Industrial Home for Boys; Meeting of the Board; 24, House of Correction and Reformatory; Asylum for Criminal Insane; October 6–7, Home for the Feeble Minded; 15–16, Meetings of the Board (4); 22, The State School; 23, The Industrial Home for Girls; November 24, Reed City; 26, School for the Deaf; December 9–10, Convention of the Board; 20, School for the Blind; Industrial Home for Boys; 26, State Public School, 1896; February 11, Meeting of the Board; March 27, Michigan Asylum; April 1, Meeting of the Board; May 2, Industrial Home for Girls; 6, Meeting of the Board.—33.

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Lectures.—February 2, the Agricultural College; March 24, Grand Haven.—2.

The National Conference of Charities.—June 4–10.

Miscellaneous.—December 7, the City Clergy; January 8, Associated Charities; October 4, Butterworth Hospital.

SERVICES OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

October 25–29, the Missionary Council, Cincinnati; 25, preached at College Hill, Ohio.

SUMMARY.

Baptized infants, 5	5
Married	3
Buried	3
Preached	99
Addresses delivered, not including Confirmation	24
Children's services and addresses	26
Celebrated the Holy Communion	33
Confirmed in 19 Parishes, 11 Missions, and 2 other places	324
Meetings and Conferences	79
Organized Parishes visited, 19; Missions, 25; other places, 2; visited once, 33; twice, 11; three times, 5; six times, 1; seven times, 2; total	90
Clergymen received	6
Clergymen transferred	4
Clergymen in the Diocese accepting and changing Parishes and resigning Parishes	4
Services participated in	144
Visits to schools and colleges	25
To State institutions	13
To Jails, 14; to Poor Houses, 7	
Visits and services outside the Diocese	1

This ends the record of the year. The Bishop's Diary may be listened to with impatience, and it may be asked, "Is it not sufficient to put it on record in THE JOURNAL?" I certainly do not read of my coming in and going out to attest proper discharge of duty. A Bishop's Journal of Official Acts is his witness to his Clergy's fidelity, and of the help and hindrance of their work. In its details, it takes more than a glance at the condition of the Diocese. The Annual Address deals with generalities; the Diary with particulars in their assignment of time and place. It illustrat es how the good hand of God has been upon us, and how He has called us to patience and faith. Journals and reports are not dry details. They have a spiritual significance. I would urge every shepherd of souls, when he has drawn up his report, to read it on his knees. Almost every item has its searching inquiry, its suggestions for future watch and ward. And so what I have read to you is to me full of the thoughts that should come to one for whom "the day goeth away, the shadows of the evening are stretching out."

LAY READERS.

Holding license to Easter, 1898:

Charles A. Stevenson, Grace, Holland, January 30, 1889.
Nathan D. Beedon, Christ, Homer, March 18, 1891.
Horatio B. Lewis, St. Paul's, Elk Rapids, May 25, 1892.
C. E. Jameson, Trinity, Three Rivers, October 19, 1895.
Ralph S. Garwood, Trinity, Marshall, September 22, 1896.
E. H. Green, Christ, Charlevoix, October 8, 1896.
E. Stanton Bliss, St. John's, Grand Haven, November 2, 1896.

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J. W. Watson, Grace, Charlotte, April 24, 1897.
John Eyre Nelson, St. Thomas,' Battle Creek, May 14, 1897.
Charles R. Wilkes, Good Shepherd, Allegan.
George Dolliver, St. Thomas,' Battle Creek, May 20, 1897.
St. Quentin H. Williams, Emmanuel, Petoskey, February 7, 1896.

POSTULANTS.

Charles Sylvester Worden, Emmanuel Church, Petoskey, October 13, 1894.
D. Charles White, Hobart College, September 4, 1895.
Charles Willoughby Vincent, admitted June 22, 1895, has withdrawn "for causes not affecting his moral character."

DEACONS CANDIDATES FOR PRIESTS' ORDERS.

Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall, Ionia, April 23, 1895; ordered Deacon December 22, 1895.

CANDIDATE FOR DEACON'S ORDERS ONLY.

Herbert Stanley Knill, April 23, 1895.

ORDAINED.

June 18, 1896. In St. Paul's Church, Mendon, ordered Priest Carl Reed Taylor. Presented by the Rev. Joseph W. Bancroft.

LETTERS DIMISSORY GRANTED.

The date given is that of acceptance by the Ecclesiastical authority to whom transmitted.

July 30, 1896. The Rev. Edward Macomb Duff, A. M., to the Ecclesiastical authority of Minnesota. Resigned charge of St. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids, July 15, 1896.

January 22, 1897. The Rev. Henry D. Chambers, Deacon, to the Ecclesiastical authority of Minnesota. Closed his charge of Grace Church, Ludington, August 30, 1896.

May 1, 1897. The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., to the Ecclesiastical authority of Nebraska. Resigned charge of St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, April 29, 1897.

The Rev. William W. Taylor, to the Ecclesiastical authority of Pennsylvania. Resigned Emmanuel Church, Hastings, April 18, 1897.

LETTERS DIMISSORY ACCEPTED.

The date given is that of the acceptance by the Ecclesiastical authority to whom transmitted.

November 5, 1896. The Rev. Artemus Wetherbee, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Michigan. Entered on his duties as Missionary of St. Stephen's Church, Schoolcraft, September 1, 1896.

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December 3, 1896. The Rev. Charles R. Hodge, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Indiana. Entered on his duties as Assistant Minister of St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, November 1, 1896.

December 7, 1896. The Rev. Herman P. Vicborn, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Texas. Entered on his duties as Rector of St. James' Church, Albion, November 6, 1896.

February 4, 1897. The Rev. Arthur H. Locke, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Albany. Entered on his duties as Rector of St. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids, Nov. 15, 1896.

January 28, 1897. The Rev. Jean W. Armstrong, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Ohio. Entered on his duties as Missionary of Emmanuel Church, Petoskey, January 1, 1897.

May 26, 1897. The Rev. Charles D. Atwell, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Central New York. Elected Rector of Emmanuel Church, Hastings, and to enter on his duties June 13, 1897.

CHARGES IN THE DIOCESE.

July 19. The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., became Priest in charge of St. John's Church, Grand Haven.

January 12, 1897. The Rev. Marcus H. Martin has closed his services at St. Matthew's, Grand Rapids, and been elected Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Grand Rapids.

May 17, 1897. Rev. C. R. Hodge placed in temporary charge of St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids.

July 1, 1896. Rev. L. C. Rogers resigned charge of St. John's Church, Grand Haven.

MISSIONS ORGANIZED.

February 3, 1897. St. Andrew's, Hart.
May 18, 1897. St. Alban's, Dowagiac.

FUNDS RECEIVED.

For Akeley Institute:

Emmanuel, Hastings	$ 15 00
Bishop Tuttle	35 00
Woman's Guild, Kalamazoo	10 00
Mrs. A. H. Richmond. Evanston, Ill	25 00
Woman's Auxiliary, St. Mark's, Grand Rapids	15 00
Paul H. Carter, Yonkers, N. Y.	1 00
Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Taylor, Reed City	5 00
Miss Annie W. Nock, Philadelphia	10 00
Mrs. Augusta C. Wallin, New York, semi-annual payment	37 50
The Junior Aux. of St. Luke's, Kalamazoo	5 00
Mt. Calvary, Baltimore, Md	25 00
Hastings, per Mrs. S. N. Noble, Woman's Aux	5 00
Henry Brees, Kalamazoo, coupons	30 00
David Henning, California	100 00
Miss Annie Beeson, Niles	50 00
E. H. Van Deusen and wife, Kalamazoo	50 00
Rev. J. W. Bancroft and wife, Hastings	10 00

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Miss M. W. Hess, Grand Rapids	2 00
Grace Church, Grand Rapids	5 00
Miss R. L. Richmond	50 00
" " " "	50 00
Total	$535 50

Total sum received for Akeley Institute:

From within the Diocese	$302 00	
From without the Diocese	233 50	
		$535 50

NOTE.—$250 reported last year as at the Bishop's disposal, was applied to pay interest December 1, 1896.

For Diocesan Missions.

Offerings at summer services at Old Mission, per Rev. Dr. Leffingwell	$ 10 00

For a Chapel at Paw Paw Lake:

Per Rev. D. W. Dresser	$ 5 00

For Bishop's Trust Fund:

The Girls in Mrs. Van Deusen's Bible class, Kalamazoo	$ 10 00
Ionia	6 00
Dr. and Mrs. Van Deusen	10 00
Allegan, per Woman's Auxiliary	7 50
Niles	3 00
St. Mark's Grand Rapids	18 00
Total	$ 54 50

Confirmees' Fund:

Received from June 1, '96	$105 50

APPROPRIATION OF THE GRANT OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 1, 1896.

Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary	$ 400 00
" W. P. Law, " "	400 00
" M. S. Woodruff, Benton Harbor and St. Joseph	100 00
" A. E. Wells, Traverse City	100 00
" W. H. Van Antwerp, Holland	75 00
" C. R. Taylor, Mendon and Sturgis	100 00
" J. N. Rippey, M. D., East Jordan and Central Lake	100 00
Total	$1275 00

NOTICES OF CLERGY DEPOSED.

April 30, 1896. Rev. Franklin W. Adams, "at his own request," by the Bishop of Los Angeles.

May 27, 1896. Rev. Thomas B. Barber, "for causes not affecting his moral character," by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

June 25, 1896. Rev. Ernest M. Benedict "was not at any time amenable for any Canonical offence, and his renunciation was not occasioned by any foregoing misconduct or irregulari-

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ty, but was voluntary and for reasons assigned and known, which do not affect his moral character," by the Bishop Co adjutor of Southern Ohio.

July 28, 1896. Edwin Witherell, Deacon, "he having declared to me in writing, his renunciation of the Ministry," by the Bishop of Oklahoma and Indian Territories.

September 14, 1896. William McLellan Lane, "he having voluntarily declared to me his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church," by the Bishop of California.

September 15, 1896. Thomas Salter Robjernt, "having voluntarily and for reasons not affecting his moral character, renounced the Ministry of this Church"' by the Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

September 24, 1896. Rev. D. L. V. Moffett, "he having declared in writing his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church," by the Bishop of Colorado.

December 11, 1896. Rev. Joseph C. Taylor, Deacon, "he having declared to me in writing his renunciation of the sacred Ministry," by the Missionary Bishop of South Dakota.

December 19, 1896. Henry Riley Fuller, Deacon, "having renounced the Ministry of the Church," by the Bishop of Central New York.

February 24, 1897. Rev. Robert Granger, by the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio.

March 11, 1897. Rev. I-fu Is'un, Deacon, by the Missionary Bishop of Shanghai and the Lower Yang Tse Valley.

March 25, 1897. Rev. Elvin S. Taylor, by the Bishop of of New Jersey.

May 7, 1897. Rev. Vardry McBee, by the Bishop of Dallas.

Mav 10. 1897. Rev. Peter Augustus Molling, M: D., by the Bishop of Ohio.

May 18, 1897. Charles Sylvester Starkweather, "having declared his voluntary resignation of the sacred Ministry, not having exercised his ministry for some years past," by the Bishop of Milwaukee.

May 18, 1896. Rev. Walter Hancock, Priest of the Diocese of Newfoundland, prohibited from officiating in the Diocese of Chicago.

February 26, 1897. Rev. Rowland P. Hills, of the Diocese of London, "licensed to officiate in the Diocese of New York for six months, withdrawn," by the Bishop of New York.

CANDIDATES AND POSTULANTS DROPPED.

April 9, 1896. I. Ebber-Powell; Candidate for Priest's Orders, name removed "for reasons not affecting his moral character," by the Bishop of Ohio.

James Gill Monnett, Jr., Postulant, removed by the Bishop of Ohio.

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June 9, 1896. Henry Closson Gilbert, stricken from list of Candidates for Holy Orders, "for reasons not affecting his moral character," by the Bishop of Vermont.

David Willard, Postulant, "rejected as unfit to study for Holy Orders," by the Bishop of Vermont.

July 6, 1896. Stephen B. L. Innes, Candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, "removed at his own request, and for reasons not affecting his moral character," by the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

May 25, 1896. Robert Westlake Bowman, DeLancey Burdette Hamblin, George Ward Bushnell, "without dishonor ceased to be Candidates for Holy Orders," by the Bishop of Central New York.

June 16, 1896. Frank H. Strout, from the list of Candidates for Deacon's Orders only, and Andrew D. Drumm, from the list of Postulants, "without dishonor to themselves," by the Bishop of The Platte.

Nov. 25, 1896. Robert P. McGregor, stricken from the list of Candidates for Holy Orders, "for no reason affecting his moral or religious character," by the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio.

October 13, 1896. John P. C. Shaw, Candidate for Holy Orders, stricken from the list, "at his own request and solely on the ground of his feeble health," by the Bishop of Rhode Island.

November 7, 1896. Robert Laurence Spiller, Candidate for Holy Orders, "removed at his own request, and for reasons not affecting his moral character," by the Bishop of New Hampshire.

November 11, 1896. Thomas E. Newman, Frank W. Ponte, stricken from the list of Candidates for Holy Orders, "at their own request, and for causes not affecting their moral characters," by the Bishop of Nevada, Utah and Western Colorado.

December 15, 1896. Alfred C. Smith, D. J. Robertson, Samuel Medicine Bull, Robert American Horse, Smith Robinson, Candidates for Holy Orders, names removed "for reasons not affecting their moral characters," by the Missionary Bishop of South Dakota.

January 5, 1897. George Henry Harold Ballard, "honorably ceased to be a Candidate for Holy Orders," by the Bishop of Maryland.

January 18, 1897. George W. Chandler, removed from the list of Candidates for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, "for causes not affecting his moral character, and at his own request," by the Bishop of New York.

January 20, 1897. Moses Hale Douglass, removed from the list of Candidates for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, "at his

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own request, and for reasons not affecting his moral character," by the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

February 11, 1897. William C. Downs, stricken from the list of Candidates for Deacon's Orders only, "at his own request and for reasons not affecting his moral character," by the Bishop of Lexington.

March 25, 1897. Abraham Lincoln Millett ceased to be a Candidate for Holy Orders, by the Bishop of New Jersey.

May 20, 1897. A. H. Brook, Alvah A. Duere, R. D. Wolf, H. E. Sutham, J. W. Collier, E. P. Eldred, Postulants stricken from the list, by the Bishop of Ohio, "for causes not affecting their moral characters" 22. 31.

April 9, 1896. G. L. Stansbury, Postulant, removed by the Bishop of Ohio.

August 5, 1896. George S. Ralston and Peter Van Hoyt, dropped by the Bishop of Nebraska.

December 19, 1896. William H. Webb refused admission to Candidateship, by the Bishop of Central New York.

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APPENDIX B.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

St. James' Church, Albion, County of Calhoun, 1867.

The Rev. H. P. Vicborn, Rector, (1896.)
C. Howard Daskam, Henry D. Thomason, M. D., Wardens.
George W. Cole, Secretary.
Creighton B. Lane, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 36; adults, 106; children, 22; total, 128. Of these, baptized persons, 120; baptized during the year, adults, 6. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 75; confirmed during the year, 14. Communicants last reported, 90; admitted, 14; total added, 14. Died, 1; not found, 28; total lost, 29. Present number male and female, 75. Burials, 4. Public services, Sundays, 105; holy days, 7; week days, 24; total, 136. Holy Communion, public, 35; private 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 2; total, 6. Pupils, male, 17; female, 6; total, 23. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Names of Parochial societies, St. Elizabeth Guild, Woman's Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT—(Easter '96 to Easter '97.)

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $167.36; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $17.64; subscriptions, $229.20; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $5.63; Women's Guilds, $28.66; the Sunday School, $9.32.

Total, $457.81.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported), $17.64; for the Rector's salary, (paid to Easter), $250.00; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $126.66; by Guild, $15.82; for the Sunday School, $2.40. Total for Parochial objects, $412.52.

For objects within the Diocese—Women's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $1.10; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2.61. Total for Diocesan objects, $3.71.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $1.79; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $4.53.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $6.32.

Total of Disbursements, $422.55.

Balance in hand, $35.26.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $5,000. Indebtedness, floating, $42.17, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $27.17; missionary pledges, $15. Salary of the Rector, $500. Insurance, on the church, $3,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 74-78.

REMARKS.

Since the Easter elections, Dr. Thomason has resigned the Junior Wardenship, and Mr. Creighton B. Lane elected in his stead.

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Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan, County of Allegan, 1858.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas, Rector, (1895.)
C. R. Wilkes, Lay Reader.
Wm. B. Williams, Almeron A. Calkins, Wardens.
C. H. Adams, Secretary.
Frank H. Williams, Treasurer.
Lyman A. Lilly, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 72; adults, 180; children, 50; total, 230. Of these, baptized persons, 190; baptized during the year, infants, 6; adults, 6; total, 12. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 146; confirmed during the year, 8. Communicants, last reported, 130; admitted, 6; received, 14; total added, 20. Died, 2. Present number, male, 43; female, 103; total, 146. Marriages, 4. Burials, 6. Public services, Sundays, 97; holy days, 7; week days, 65; total, 169. Holy Communion, public, 15. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 9; total, 13; pupils, male, 36; female, 50; total, 86; average attendance, 50. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 300. Subscribers to Church Helper, 11. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Aid, Altar Society, Woman's Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

The envelope system, $1125.86; the Sunday School, $90.43; other sources, $91.31, Easter offering. Total, $1307.60.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For Rector's salary, (paid to June 1, '97,) $900; for other salaries, $133; for repairs on the church and rectory, $17.50; by the Sunday School, $34.72.

Total for Parochial objects, $1085.22.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $25; assessment of the convention, $66.90; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $10; services for deaf mutes, $4.25; Bishop's Trust Fund; $10 26; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan mission, $10; Akeley Institute, $3.25.

Total for Diocesan objects, $129 66.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $4.19; foreign missions, $10.01; Societies for the Conversion of Jews, $2.50; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $48 22.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $64.92.

Total of Disbursements, $1279 80.

Balance overdrawn, $41.61.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Church, $5,500; rectory, $1,500; total, $7,000. Salary of the Rector, $900, and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $3,000; rectory, $1,000; other property, $1,000; total, $5,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, 250.

Bishop's Address, page 79.

St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, County of Calhoun, 1842.

The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D., Rector, (1894)
John Eyre Nelson, Lay Reader.
George Willard, Dr. A. T. Metcalf, Wardens.
Fred C. Stillson, Secretary.
Edward C. Hinnan, Treasurer.
George Dolliver, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 195; adults, 480; children, 260; total, 740. Of these, Baptized persons, 620; baptized during the year, infants, 21; adults, 29; total, 50. Confirmed persons in the parish, 330; confirmed during the year, 35. Communicants, last reported, 281; admitted, 35; received, 18; total added, 53. Died, 3; removed, 1; dropped, 1; total lost, 5. Present number, male, 88; present number, female, 241; total, 329. Marriages, 8. Burials, 9. Public services, Sundays, 142; holy days, 79; week days, 45; total, 266. Holy Communion, public, 66; private, 25. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 12; total, 15. Pupils, male, 80; pupils, female, 90; total, 170; average attendance, 100. Catechising, number of times, monthly. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 165. Subscribers to Church Helper, 20. Names of Parochial societies: Parish Aid, Daughters of the King, Sanctuary Guild, Young People's League, St. Andrew's Brotherhood, Choir Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $102.93; from the offertory, $398.05; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $75 19; pew rents, $2,037.17; subscriptions, $113; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $50; Women's Guilds, $459.05; the Sunday School, $115; other sources, $480.33.

Total, $3,830.72.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported,) $75.19, for the Rector's salary, $1,800; for other salaries, $300.39; for insurance, $63 70; for repairs on the church and rectory, $75.03; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $1,015.71; by the Sunday School, for current expenses, $62.71.

Total for Parochial objects, $3,392.73.

For objects within the diocese—Diocesan missions, $95.69; assessment of the convention, $193.98: fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $13 41; services for deaf mutes, $4.26; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $10; Bishop's Trust Fund, $8 36; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $27; Akeley Institute, $10.

Total for Diocesan objects, $362.70.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, (the Board of missions), $30; foreign missions, (the Board of Missions), $20; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $25.29.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $75.29.

Total of Disbursements, $3,830.72.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $20,000; chapel, $4,000; rectory, $3,000; lot for parish house, $2,500. Indebtedness, secured, $500. Salary of the rector, $1,800 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $11,000; rectory, $1,500; total, $12,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 400; of these, rented, all.

Bishop's Address, page 78.

St. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids, County of Mecosta, 1873.

The Rev. W. E. Wright, B. D., Rector (1893.)
E. P. Clark, Chas. F. Stearns, Wardens.
Chas. F. Stearns, Secretary.
E. P. Clark, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 24; adults, 130; children, 75; total, 205. Baptized during the year, infants, 5. Communicants last reported, 70. Died, 1; removed, 9; total lost, 10. Present number, male, 9; female, 51; total, 60. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Public services, Sundays, 99; holy days, 38; week days, 49; total, 186. Holy Communion, public, 77; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 6; total, 7. Pupils-male, 17; female, 27; total, 44. Catechising, number of times, 40. Subscribers to Church Helper, 9. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Aid, St. Andrew's Guild, Altar Guild. Have held missionary services in Reed City once.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $62.02; from the offertory, $106.38; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $22.54; the envelope system, $454.99; subscriptions, $7; legacies, $295.65; Women's Guilds, $210.07; other sources, $98.15. Total. $1,256.78.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $25.55; for the rector's salary, (paid back salary, $250), $616.59; for other salaries, $134.75; for insurance, $58.10; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $58.59; mortgage on rectory and interest, $266.31.

Total for Parochial objects, $1,159.89.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $9.92; assessment of the convention, $63.25; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $6 71; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2.95; Union Benevolent Society, $5 32.

Total for objects within the Diocese, $88.15.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, (the Board of Missions), $5; foreign missions, (the Board of Missions), $5.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $10.

Total of disbursements, $1,258.04.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,500; rectory, $1,400. Indebtedness, floating, $275; and balance due the Diocese on assessment, $29. Salary of the rector, $450 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $2,450; rectory, $700; total, $3,150. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 77.

St. Mark's Church, Coldwater, County of Branch, 1848.

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby, Rector (1895).
N. P. Loveridge, Alf. Milnes, Wardens.
John T. Starr, Secretary.
E. R. Root, Treasurer.
H. P. Woodward, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 110. Baptized during the year, infants, 5; adults, 2; total, 7. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 160; confirmed during the year, 8. Communicants, last reported, 152; admitted, 8; total added, 8; suspended, 1; total lost, 1. Present number male, 47; female, 112; total, 159. Marriages, 4. Burials, 7. Public services, Sundays, 138; Holy days, 24; week days, 126; total, 288. Holy Communion, public, 62; private, 1. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 9; total, 12. Pupils, total, 70; average attendance, 52. Catechising, number of times, 38. Number of

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volumes, S S. library, 345. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10; Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Parish Aid, St. Agatha's Guild, Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Have held on behalf of Mission services in St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, times, 1; Trinity, Marshall, 1; St. Paul's, Mendon, 1; Y. M. C. A. 17; High School, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $374.10; Pew rents, $947.55. Total, $1321.65.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $1029.52; for repairs on the Church, $52 32; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $178 81. Total for Parochial Objects, $1260.65.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $60; assessment of the Convention, $66 52; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.75; services for deaf mutes, $2; Bishop's Trust Fund, $7.22; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan Missions, $20. Total for Diocesan Objects, $158.59.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $10; societies for the Conversion of Jews, $3.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $13.

Total of Disbursements, $1432.24.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $14,000; chapel, $2,700; total, $16,700. Indebtedness, floating, $450. Salary of the Rector, $1,000; insurance on the Church, $8,000. Capacity of church building, whole number of sittings, 400; of these, free, 125.

Bishop's Address, page 79.

St. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids, County of Antrim, 1870.

Rectorship vacant.
H. B. Lewis, Joseph Butler, Wardens.
H. B. Lewis, Lay Reader.
R. W. Bagot, Secretary.
C. D. Towne, Treasurer.
C. D. Towne, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 37; adults, 107; children, 46; total, 153. Of these, baptized persons, 123; baptized during the year, infants, 1; total, 1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 69; confirmed during the year, 8. Communicants, last reported, 63; received, 4; total added, 4. Died, 1. Removed, 9; total lost, 10. Present number, male, 17; female, 40; total, 57. Burials, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female 4; total, 7 Pupils, male, 22; female, 27; total, 49; average attendance, 35.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $21.24; from the offertory, $97.73; the Envelope System, $114.25; Women's Guilds, $43; the Sunday School, $54 36; other sources, $42; special offerings, $20 90. Total, $393.48.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For other salaries, $24 50; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $15.12; Endowment Fund, $6; paid on indebtedness, $225 25; interest, $3; by the Sunday School for Sunday school, $28 69. Total for Parochial Objects, $302.56.

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For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10; assessment of the Convention, $36 65; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $4.10; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5.81; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $5.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $61.56.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions (the Board of Missions) $1.71; general clergy relief fund, $3.28: by the Sunday School, for general missions, $20 67.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $25.66.

Total of Disbursements, $389 78.

Balance in hand, $3.70.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $5,000; investments, $13 28; total, $5,013.28. Insurance on the Church, $2,500; other property, $500; total, $3,000. Capacity of the the Church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all.

REMARKS.

The eight persons confirmed during the year have not as yet been received at the Holy Communion.

St. John's Church, Grand Haven, County of Ottawa, 1866.

The Rev. James Edward Wilkinson, Priest in charge, (1896)
E Stanton Bliss, Lay Reader.
R. C. Duryea, Wm. Summers, Wardens.
E. Stanton Bliss, Secretary.
Charles Christmas, Treasurer.
Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 51; adults, 152; Children, 61; total, 213. Of these, baptized persons, 203; baptized during the year, infants, 3; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 131. Communicants last reported, 127; admitted, 1; total added, 1. Died, 1; total lost, 1. Present number male, 44; female, 83; total, 127. Marriages, 1. Burials, 7. Public Services, Sundays, 145; holy days, 34; week days, 56; total, 235. Holy Communion, public, 77; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 5; total, 6; pupils, male, 20; female, 31; total, 51; average attendance, 43. Catechising, number of times, 6. Number of volumes, S. S. Library, 100; Subscribers to Church Helper, 16. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Guild, Women's Auxiliary, Altar Society.

FINANCIAL REPORT.—(Easter to Easter.)

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $314 71; subscriptions, $477.25; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $24.25; Women's Guilds, $243.22; Altar Society, $6 90; the Sunday School, 35.50; other sources, $153.22.

Total, $1255.05.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For Rector's salary, (paid to April 19, '97,) $503 co; for other salaries, $114.60; for repairs on the church and rectory, $18 68; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $52.25; paid on indebtedness, (am't due at last convention, $264.74), $264 74; interest on rectory debt, $65.46; for the Sunday School, $7.75.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1026 48.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $40.00; assessment of the convention, $56.08; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $5.50; Bishop's Trust Fund, $8.05; Akeley Institute—Confirmee Fund, $4.25.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $113.88.

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For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic Missions, $2 58; Foreign Missions, $3.00; Societies for the conversion of Jews, $2.35; American Church Building Fund Commission, $1.25; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $24.25; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $16.85; Seamen's missions, $8 60.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $58.88.

Total of Disbursements, $1199.24.

Balance in hand, $55.81.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $6,000; chapel, $500; rectory, $1200; total, $7,700. Missionary pledges, $17.48. Indebtedness, secured, 750. Insurance on church and guild room, $3,500; rectory, $800; total, $4300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 77.

St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1836.

Rectorship vacant.
Rev. C. R. Hodge, Priest in charge.
W. R. Shelby, C. G. A. Voigt, Wardens.
Alfred C. Torrey, Secretary.
W. J. Stuart, Treasurer.
Edwin F. Sweet, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 459; adults, 750; children, 400; total, about 1,150. Of these, baptized persons, 1,100; baptized during the year, infants, 37; adults, 10; total, 47. Confirmed persons in the Parish about 1,000; confirmed during the year, 38. Communicants, in good standing and resident in the Parish, 653. Marriages, 17; burials, 38. Public services, Sundays, 149; Holy days, 33; week days, 109; total, 291. Holy Communion, public, 84; private, 4. Sunday School, teachers and officers, 12; pupils, 140; total, 140; average attendance, 115. Names of Parochial societies: Industrial Band; Helping Hand, Sewing School, Girl's Friendly, Ministering League, Woman's Missionary, Children's Missionary, Temperance Society, Band of Hope, Young Woman's Society, Twenty Minute Society, Maternite, Young Men's Society "Junior Auxiliary Society," Food and Clothing Society, Young Peoples, Meeting, "Willing Workers," "Flower Guild," "Pastor's Aid Ten." Have held Missionary Services in several parts of the Diocese.

FINANCIAL REPORT,

From March, 1896, to March, 1897.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $313.16; from the ordinary offertory, $1,788.27; alms, at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $449.88; Pew rents, $5,191.85; designated offerings, $2,142.32; benevolent fund, $400; assistant Minister's Fund, $270.37; inndividual gifts for Church debt removal, etc., $1,081.07; Parish societies, $710; other sources, $128 95 Total, $12,475.87.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $449 88; for Rector's salary (paid to date), $3,600; for other clerical salaries, September to February, $537.50; for salary of Sexton, $468, music and choir expenses, $1,037.30, total, $1,505.30; for insurance, $52.50, interest on indebtedness, $275.97, total, $328.47; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $73.09; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $505.91; Parish societies, etc., $779.10; paid on indebtedness, $1,055; specials paid, $241.22. Total for Parochial Objects, $9,075 47.

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For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, $525; assessment of the Convention, $255.19; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $115; Bishop's Trust Fund, $25 84; personal donations and contributions for Grand Rapids Hospitals and other city charities, $2,252.77, Charities outside Grand Rapids, $85. Total for Diocesan Objects, $3,258.80.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic and foreign Missions, $100; increase of the Ministry, $10; Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies, $16,60; societies for the conversion of the Jews, $15.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $141.60.

Total of Disbursements, $12,475.87.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church and Chapel, $65,000; Rectory, $12,000; total, $77,000. Indebtedness, secured, $1,500 on Rectory; salary of the Rector, $3,600 and Rectory. Insurance, on the Church, $13,500; on the Rectory, $3 000; organ and other property, $4,500; total. $21,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, in Church and Chapel, 1,500.

Bishop's Address, page 79.

REMARKS.

It was with heartfelt sorrow the Rector resigned on May 1st, 1897. He must ever gratefully remember his ten and one-half years of happiness and many privileges in his beloved Parish of St. Mark's, Grand Rapids. The friendship of the parishioners cannot be surpassed—were their religion equal to it, St. Mark's would be almost Paradise!

The appointment of the Rev. C. R. Hodge as Assistant Rector, has been a great gain for the Parish, his acceptance was a privilege conferred upon us all for St. Mark's work and worship.

The payment of all indebtedness for the expensive repairs made in 1892, for steam heating, and for grading and sewers, has left the Parish with but a small debt nearly all of which could be met from the following two items in the Treasurer's report: "Pew rents due and unpaid March 1st, 1897, $1,331.21; charged suspense account, $1,105 69; total, $2,436 90." Small deficiencies in payments should not exist in a Parish like St. Mark's.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH,
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., June 2, 1897.

To the Bishop:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:—Since my connection with this Church, I have officiated as Assistant until May 1st. The Parish was then placed in my charge, until a Rector should be regularly elected by the Vestry. All my official acts, both as Assistant and Priest in charge, are comprehended in the report of this Parish.

CHARLES RUSSELL HODGE.

Grace Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1875.

The Rev. John Brewster Hubbs, D. C. L., Rector (1891.)
The Rev. Marcus H. Martin, Assistant Minister.
Jacob Kleinhans, Wm. H. Raiguel, Wardens.
E. A. Hamilton, Secretary.
George E. Hardy, Treasurer.
Charles K. Seymour, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 160. Baptized during the year, infants, 10; adults, 5; total, 15. Confirmed during the year, 8. Communicants last reported, 317; admitted, 8; total added, 8. Died, 4; removed, 20; dropped, 88; total lost, 112; Present number male, 72; female, 141: total, 213. Marriages, 6. Burials, 10. Public Services, Sundays, 90; holy days, 26; week days, 120; total, 236. Holy Communion, public, 85. Sunday Schools, teachers and

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officers, male, 7; female, 17; total, 24. Pupils, male, 85; female, 125; total, 210. Catechising, number of times, 40. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Society, St. Mary's Guild, Circles No. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5; Woman's Auxiliary. Have held Missionary services in St. John's Church, times, 50.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $582.52; the envelope system, $1,650.47; subscriptions, $1,316.09; Woman's Auxiliary (money only, not box values,) $5; Women's Guilds, $350; the Sunday School, $220. Total, $4,118 08.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For rector's salary, (paid to June 1), $750; for other salaries, $404.50; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $231.33; paid on indebtedness, $1,000; by the Sunday School for its work, $190.00; paid on interest account, $1,113.79.

Total for Parochial Objects, $3,690.61.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the Convention, $153.30; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $5 60; Bishop's Trust Fund, $7; by the Sunday School for Diocesan Missions, $25.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $190.90.

Total of Disbursements, $3,881.51.

Balance in hand, $236.57.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $30,000; rectory, $6,000; total, $36,000. Indebtedness, secured, $15,250. Salary of the Rector, $1,500 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $14,000; rectory, $1,500; total, $15,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 600; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, Pages 76-79-80.

St. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1872.

The Rev. Arthur H. Locke, Rector (1896).
Thomas Brinton, Orr Shurtz, Wardens.
Frank Donohue, Secretary.
Manley Jones, Treasurer.
Charles Reeves, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 122; adults, 206; children, 95; total, 301. Of these baptized persons, 265; baptized during the year, infants, 7; adults, 12; total, 19. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 166; confirmed during the year, 17; communicants, last reported, 123; admitted, 14; received, 8; total added, 22; Died, 2; removed, 2; not found, 2; total lost, 6. Present number, male, 32; female, 105; total, 137. Marriages, 2; burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 87; Holy days, 17; week days, 24; total, 128. Holy Communion, public, 20; private, 2 Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 12; total, 14. Pupils, male, 33; female, 70; total, 103; average attendance, 78. Catechising, number of times, 8. S. S. library, 300 volumes. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6; Names of Parochial Societies: St. Paul's Ladies' Aid, St. Paul's Altar Guild, St. Paul's Boys' Club; St. Paul's Men's Club, St. Paul's, Senior and Junior Leagues.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $14 06; from the offertory, $465; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $15.20; subscriptions, $50; Women's Guilds, $96; Children's Guilds, $203; the Sunday School, $77; other sources, $210; total, $1,130.26.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary (paid to June 1st, 1897), $715; for other salaries, $179; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $125; for the Sunday School, $77; by the Sunday School for vesting choir, $24; on hand, $10.26.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,130.26.
Total of Disbursements, $1,120.
Balance in hand, $10.26.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $3,000; school house, $800; total, $3,800. Indebtedness, floating, $120; due the Diocese on assessment, $308.50; missionary pledges, $10; salary of the Rector, $700. Insurance, on the Church, $2,100; other property, $400: total, $2,500. Capacity of the Church Building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, 62, rented, 188.

Bishop's Address, pages 75–68.

REMARKS.

The present Rector has been in charge but six months and this report is in some respects incomplete.

Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1886.

The Rev. H. H. Johnston, Rector (1890).
W. H. Tibbs, James Robinson, Wardens.
Robt. Teele, Secretary.
C. Dyrell, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 142; adults, 217; children, 42; total, 259. Baptized during the year, infants, 12; adults, 3; total, 15. Confirmed persons in the parish, 254. Communicants last reported, 245; admitted, 3; received, 6; total added, 9. Present number, male, 100; female, 154; total, 254. Marriages, 21. Burials, 18. Public services, Sundays, 123; holy days, 10; week days, 14; total, 157. Holy Communion, public, 18; private, 3. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 8; total, 9. Pupils, male, 57; female, 63; total, 120; average attendance, 73. Catechising, number of times, 12. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Guild, Altar Guild, Choir Chapter, Willing Helpers.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $110.20: from the offertory, $173.65; the envelope system, $380.81. Total, $664.66.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the Rector's salary, $573 91; for repairs on the church, $4.11; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $51.35. Total for Parochial Objects, $629.37.

Total of Disbursements, $629.37.
Balance in hand, $35.29.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $6,000. Indebtedness, floating, $1,600, (of this, due the Diocese on Assessment, $316.79; missionary pledges, $118.23). Insurance, on the church, $3,000; rectory, $800; total, $3,800. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 350; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 80.

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Emmanuel Church, Hastings, County of Barry, 1863.

The Rev. Charles D. Atwell, Rector, 1897.
Henry A. Goodyear, David G. Robinson, Wardens.
Marcus W. Riker, Secretary.
John F. Goodyear, Treasurer.
Mrs. Ellen E. Robinson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 102; adults, 175; children, 106; total, 281. Baptized during the year, infants, 15; adults, 9; total, 24. Confirmed during the year, 13. Communicants last reported, 124; admitted, 12; received, 2; total, 14. Removed, 8. Present number, male, 27; female, 103; total, 130. Marriages, 9. Burials, 3. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 11; total, 12. Pupils, male, 36; female, 62; total, 98; average attendance, 66. Catechising, number of times, 12. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid, Woman's Auxiliary, St. Agnes' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $62.19; from the offertory, $185.05; the envelope system, $871.58; subscriptions, $68.32; Women's Auxiliary (money only, not box values), $65.27; Women's Guilds, $261.81. Total, $1,514.22.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $970.04; for other salaries, $185.00; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $119.22; Thanksgiving offering for the poor, $5.58; by the Sunday School, for maintenance, $4.00. Total for Parochial Objects, $1,282.84.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $35.00; assessment of the convention, $68.65. Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $10.00; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $23.75; Bishop's Trust Fund, $8.32; Diocesan Church Building Fund, $5.00; By the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $10 00; Akeley Institute, $5.00; Woman's Auxiliary, $5 00. $10.56. Total for Diocesan Objects, $171.28.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $10.00; foreign missions, $9.58; Indian missions (Bishop Leonard), by Woman's Auxiliary, $2.00; societies for the conversion of Jews, $3.00; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $34.52. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $59.10.

Total of Disbursements, $1,514.22.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $9,000; parish house, $2,000; total, $11,000. Indebtedness, floating, $675.00. Salary of the rector, $900. Insurance, on the church, $5,000; total, $5,000. Capacity of church building, whole number of sittings, 300; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages .

Grace Church, Holland, County of Ottawa, 1868.

The Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Rector (Jan. 1, 1896).
C. A. Stevenson, Lay Reader.
Heber Walsh, F. A. Remington, Wardens.
A. R. Lewis, Secretary.
W. R. Stevenson, Treasurer.
Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 40; adults, 45; children, 55; total, 100. Baptized during the year, infants, 6; adults, 5; total, 11. Confirmed during the year, 11. Communicants last reported, 42; admitted, 10; total added, 10. Not found, 3; total lost, 3. Present number, male, 16; female, 35, total, 51. Marriages, 3. Public services, Sundays, 92; holy days, 5; week days, 12; total, 109. Holy Communion, public, 15. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 6; total, 9. Pupils, male, 16; female, 24; total, 40. Subscribers to Church Helper, 7. Names of Parochial Societies: The Ladies' Guild, Grace Church Chorus Choir.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $63.23; from the offertory, $121.88; subscriptions, $278.75; Women's Guilds, $145.44; other sources, $117.50.

Total, $726.80.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported $7.63; for the rector's salary (paid to April 1, '97), $550; for other salaries, $34.75: for insurance, $35.00; for repairs on the church, $2.61; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $48.93; for the Sunday School, $2.00. Total for Parochial Objects, $680.92.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $12.51; assessment of the convention, $20.56; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.29; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5.39. Total for Diocesan Objects, $40.75.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $10.00; for Western Seaman's Friend Society, $1.00.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $11.00.

Total of Disbursements, $732.67.

Balance in hand, $19.69.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500. Indebtedness, floating, $100. Salary of the rector, $500. Insurance, on the church, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 75–76.

Christ Church, Homer, County of Calhoun, 1841.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary (1896).
N. D. Beedon, Lay Reader.
John H. Masten, A. A. Garlinghouse, Wardens.
Dor J. Robards, Secretary.
Henry Martin, Treasurer.
Mrs. N. D. Beedon, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 27; adults, 54; children, 20; total, 74. Of these, baptized persons, 74. Communicants last reported, 56. Died, 1; not found, 9; total lost, 10. Present number, male, 16; female, 30; total, 46. Public services, Sundays, 14; week days, 2. Holy Communion, public, 6. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8.

FINANCIAL REPORT.—None Furnished.

THE RECEIPTS—By the General Missionary.

From the offertory, $6.96. Total, $6.96.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $5.71; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.25. Total for Diocesan Objects, $6.96.
Total of Disbursements, $6.96.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000. Insurance, on the church, $1,200. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 130; of these, free, all.
Bishop's Address, pages 74–75.

St. John's Church, Ionia, County of Ionia, 1842.

The Rev. W. H. Thomas, D. D., Rector (1893).
James Vosper, E. T. Montgomery, Wardens.
Harry E. Spencer, Secretary.
Clifford W. Parsons, Treasurer.
James Vosper, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 114; adults, 216; children, 95; total, 311. Of these, baptized persons, 230; baptized during the year, infants, 6; adults, 8; total, 14. Confirmed persons in the parish, 189; confirmed during the year, 8. Communicants last reported, 177; admitted, 8; received, 6; total added, 14. Present number, male; female, 132; total, 189. Marriages, 7. Burials, 6. Public services, Sundays, 148; holy days, 11; week days, 64; total, 223. Holy Communion, public, 19. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 7; female, 13; total, 20. Pupils, male, 46; female, 72; total, 118. Catechising, number of times, 6. Subscribers to Church Helper, 14. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Auxiliary, Ladies' Aid, Young People's Society. Have held missionary services in Lyons, times, 43.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $84.58; from the offertory, $561.89; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $14.36 the envelope system, $1,196.56; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $24.75; Women's Guild, $189 02; Children's Guilds, $21.49; the Sunday School, $69 49; other sources (vestry notes), $470.00. Total, $2,632.14.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $14.36; for the rector's salary, (paid to May 1st, about), $1.5 7.51; for other salaries, 145.16; for repairs on the church and rectory, $45.46; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $237.07; poor of parish, $9.c8; the increase and improvement of church property, $196.42. paid on indebtedness, $202.10; for the Sunday School, $40.72.
Total for Parochial Objects, $2,397 88.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $33.71; assessment of the convention, $102.04; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $5.73; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, (Bishop's Trust Fund), $6 00; Bishop's Trust Fund, $7.64. Total for Diocesan Objects, $155 12.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions (Junior Auxiliary, $5.00; Woman's Auxiliary, $1.00;) $6 00; missions for colored people, $10.00; Indian missions, $8.00; societies for the conversion of Jews, $3.63; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $25.83.
Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $53.46.
Total of Disbursements, $2606.46.
Balance in hand, $25.68.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $10,000; chapel, $500; total, $10,500. Indebtedness, floating, $162.96; missionary pledges, $37.04; secured, $1,086.68. Salary of the rector, $1,500. Insurance, on the church, $5,000; other property, $2,500; total, $7,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 325; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 78.

REMARKS.

Have held services at Lyons, 43 times; baptisms, 16; confirmations, 8. The work is in the most hopeful condition.

St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, County of Kalamazoo, 1837.

The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne, Rector (1892).
J. Davidson Burns, David Fisher, Wardens.
Frank P. Johnson, Secretary.
J. Davidson Burns, Treasurer.
Rev. Robert R. Claiborne, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Baptized during the year, infants, 13; adults, 4; total, 17. Confirmed during the year, 15. Communicants, last reported, 405; admitted, 15; received, 6; total added, 21. Died, 6; total lost, 6; present number, male, 87; female, 333; total, 420. Marriages, 15; burials, 27; public services, Sundays, 163; Holy days, 32; week days, 81; total, 276; Holy Communion, public, 76; private, 13. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 12; total, 15; pupils, male, 50; female, 80; total, 130; average attendance, 100. Catechising, number of times, 15; Subscribers to Church Helper, 39 Names of Parochial societies: Woman's Guild, Choir, Girls' Friendly, etc., Woman's Auxiliary, Chancel Guild. Have held Missionary services in Dowagiac, times, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $371.17; from the offertory, $1,048.58; Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $128.75; the envelope system, $2,665.07; subscriptions, $2,206.50; Women's Guilds (including balance at last report), $1,348.40; income from investments, $7.20; the Sunday School, $103 90; other sources, $91. Total, $7,970.57.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported) $128.75; for the Rector's salary (paid to June 1, 1897), $1,800; for other salaries, $1,354.08; for insurance, $89.50; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $35.50; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $696.27; paid on indebtedness (amount due at last Convention $2,050), $2,050; by Woman's Guild, for local benevolent objects, $87; by the Sunday School, for periodicals, leaflets, etc., $61.59; by Woman's Guild, for supplies, materials for work, etc., $286.15. Total for Parochial Objects, $6,588.84.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, $200; assessment of the Convention, $275.04; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $32.65; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $7.40; Bishop's Trust Fund, $30.08; Akeley Institute, from Woman's Guild, $10.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $555.17.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $24; foreign missions, $27; missions in Brazil, $19.50; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $100; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $42.31; by Woman's Guild, for various special missions, $55.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese. $267.81.
Total of Disbursements, $7,411.82.

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Balance in hand, General Fund, $93.31; invested fund, $362.19; Woman's Guild, $103.25 ..... $558.75.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $50,000; Chapel, $800; Parish house, $37,000; Rectory, $6,000; Sexton's house, $2,000; total, $95,800. Salary of the Rector, $1,800 and Rectory. Insurance, on Church, organ and fixtures, $24,000; Rectory, $2,000; Parish house, $13,000; Sexton's house, $1,000; Chapel, $700; total, $40,700. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 700; of these, free, all; rented, none.

Bishop's address, page 78.

Grace Church, Ludington, County of Mason, 1873.

The Rectorship vacant.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 53; adults, 78; children, 39: total, 117. Present number Communicants, male, 10; female, 58; total, 68. Burials, 2.

NO FINANCIAL REPORT.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000; chapel, $1,200; total, $4,200. Indebtedness, floating, $68.47, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $28.20: missionary pledges, $5.27; secured, $500. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; other property, $500; total, $2,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 78.

REMARKS.

The offer of the Rector at Manistee, to give services, being declined, there have been no services since September, 1896.

Holy Trinity, Manistee, County of Manistee, 1888.

The Rev. Thomas Hines, Rector (1891).
Ellsworth S. Ellis, M. D.. Thomas Smurthwaite, Wardens.
Dr. J. L. Sweetnam, Secretary.
Dr. E. S. Ellis, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 95; adults, 210; children, 218; total, 428. Of these, baptized persons, 400; baptized during the year, infants, 23; adults, 6; total, 29. Confirmed during the year, 16. Communicants last reported, 180; admitted, 16; received, 20; total added, 36. Died, 1; removed, 16; total lost, 17. Present number, male, 67; female, 132; total, 199. Marriages, 10. Burials, 18. Public services, Sundays, 150; holy days. 45; week days, 96; total, 291. Holy Communion, public, 100; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 5; total, 9. Pupils, male, 45; female, 62; total, 107; average attendance, 65. Catechising, number of times, 25. Number of volumes, S. S. Library, 50. Subscribers to Church Helper, 7. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Auxiliary, Daughters of the King.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $10.69; from the offertory, $327.06; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $26.46; subscriptions, $547.00; Woman's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values), $164 80; Women's Guilds, $25 81: the Sunday School, $30.77. Total, $1,132.59.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, (charity), $26.46; for the rector's salary, $636.00; for insurance, $25.00; for repairs on the church and rectory, $4.25; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $105 30; Interest, $224.00; paid on indebtedness, $25.81. Total for Parochial Objects, $1,046 82.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $66.72; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $5 91; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5.40. Total for Diocesan Objects, $78.03.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Societies for the conversion of Jews, $3.34. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $3.34.

Total of Disbursements, $1,128.19.

Balance in hand, $4.40.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $9,000; rectory, $1,400; total, $10,400. Indebtedness, floating, $547.69: missionary pledges. $30: secured, $4,000. Salary of the rector, $850 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; rectory, $1,000; total, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 79.

Trinity Church, Marshall, County of Calhoun, 1834.

The Rev. Sidney Beckwith, Rector (1894).
Ralph S. Garwood, Lay Reader.
James M. Parsons, George Perrett, Wardens.
James M. Parsons, Secretary.
W. J. Dibble, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 101. Baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5; confirmed during year, 19; communicants, last reported, 164; admitted, 19: received, 2; total added, 21. Died, 4; removed, 6; not found, 5; total lost, 15; present number, 170: marriages, 8: burials, 10. Public services, Sundays, 118: Holy days, 6; week days, 60: total, 184; Holy Communion, public, 32; private, 2; Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 9; total, 13; pupils, male, 35: female, 65; total, 100. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Name of Parochial society: Church Aid Society.

FINANCIAL REPORT.—Easter 1896 to Easter 1897.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $588.97; from the offertory, $219.78; Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $14.56: the envelope system, $1,173.71; subscriptions, $144.49: individual gifts, $10; income from investments, $303.44; the Sunday school, $121.53; other sources, $23.71; principal investments, $975: total, $3,575.19.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For object within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $14.56; for the Rector's salary (paid to May 1, 1897), $1,000; for other salaries, $165.50; for repairs on Church and Rectory, $38.88; for al-other expenses of Parish maintenance, $136.89; poor of Parish, $32.40; invested on real estate mortgage, $600: by the Sunday school, for S. S. expenses, $43.14. Total for Parochial objects, $1,431.37.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $129 85; assessment of the Convention, $82 19; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $11.21; Bishop's Trust Fund, $8 02; by the Sunday school for Bishop's Penny Fund, $10; Akeley Institute, $25.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $266.27.

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For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $72.60; societies for conversion of Jews, $1; general clergy relief fund, $7.02; by the Sunday schools, for missions, $83.65.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $164.27.
Total of Disbursements, $2,461.91.
Balance in hand, $1,113 28.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $12,000; Rectory, $3,400; investments, $6,993.92; total, $22,393.92; Salary of the Rector, $1,000 and Rectory. Insurance, on the Church, $8,500; Rectory, $2,600; other property, $200: total, 11,300. Capacity of the Church, whole number of sittings, 450; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 78.

St. Paul's Church, Mendon, County of St. Joseph, 1867.

The Rev. C. R. Taylor, Rector, (1895.)
E. N. King (P. O., Leonidas), G. S. Pomeroy, Wardens.
C. L. Hasbrouck, Secretary.
A. S. Pomeroy, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 31; adults, 73; children, 20; total, 93; of these, baptized persons, 54; baptized during the year, infants 1; total, 1; Confirmed persons in the Parish, 33; confirmed during the year, 4; communicants last reported, 25; admitted, 4; received, 1; total added, 5. Present number, male, 7; female, 23; total, 30. Marriages, 1; public services, Sundays, 42; Holy days, 5; week days, 19; total, 66. Holy Communion, public, 13; Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4; total, 5; pupils, male, 5; female, 10; total, 15; average attendance, 10; catechising, number of times, 6. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Name of Parochial society: Ladies' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $0.04; from the offertory, $16.95; Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $9.02; subscriptions, $170; individual gifts, $1.35; other sources, $6.19. Total, $203.55.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported) $9 02; for Rector's salary, $170; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $6.84. Total for Parochial Objects, $185.86.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the Convention, $11.50; Episcopate fund (permanent fund), $6.19.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $17.69.
Total of Disbursements, $203.55.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,000; salary of the Rector, $200 and Rectory. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address page 79.

St. Paul's Church, Muskegon, County of Muskegon, 1867.

The Rev. Philip W. Mosher, M. A., Rector (1891.)
Elbridge G. Rote, Wm. K. Gordon, Wardens.
Hugh Park, Secretary.
Albert Waldron. Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 129; adults, 324; children, 197; total, 521. Of these, baptized persons, 388; baptized during the year, infants, 7; adults, 2; total, 9. Confirmed persons in the parish, 235; confirmed during the year, 14. Communicants last reported, 202; admitted, 16; received, 19; total added, 35. Died, 1; removed, 38; dropped, 2; total lost, 41. Present number, male, 56; female, 140: total, 196. Marriages, 6. Burials, 7. Public services, Sundays, 145; holy days, 23; week days, 45: total, 203. Holy Communion, public, 82; private, 4. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2: female, 8: total, 10. Pupils, male, 43; female, 80; total, 126; average attendance, 78. Catechising, number of times, 12. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Names of Parochial Societies: Women's Society, Altar Guild, St. Andrew's Brotherhood, Sewing School Guild. Have held missionary services in St. Luke's, times, 112.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $90.13; from the offertory, $136.76; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $32.30; pew rents, $1,195 83; Women's Guilds, $373; income from investments, $221.70; the Sunday School, $57.89.

Total, $2,407.61.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $32 30: for the rector's salary, $978.30; for other salaries, $361.23; for insurance, $91; for repairs on the church and rectory, $6.20; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $203 28; paid on indebtedness, $391.16; by the Sunday School, for its maintenance, $47.95.

Total for Parochial Objects, $2 111.42.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $50; assessment of the convention, $121 78: Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $4.58; services for deaf mutes, $2 93: Bishop's Trust Fund, $7.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $186.29.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $4 22; societies for the conversion of Jews, $2 34; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $9.92. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $16.48.

Total of Disbursements, $2,314 19.

Balance in hand, $93 42.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $60,000; real estate, $6,000: total, $66,000. Indebtedness secured, $27,000. Salary of the rector, $1,150 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $10,000: rectory, $5,000; other property, $3,700; total, $18.700. Capacity of church building, whole number of sittings, 750; of these, free, 400: rented, 350.

Bishop's Address, pages 75-78.

Trinity Church, Niles, County of Berrien, 1834.

The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner, Rector (1889).
Dr. Jno. H. Richarsdon, Lewis H. Beeson, Wardens.
L. H. Beeson, Secretary.
Wm. Hutton, Treasurer.
Lewis H. Beeson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 144; adults, 270: children, 135; total, 405. Baptized during the year, infants, 23: adults, 8; total, 31. Confirmed during the year. 15. Communicants last reported, 255; total added, 15. Died, 8; removed, 2: dropped, 4: total lost, 14. Present number, 256. Marriages,

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4. Burials, 18. Public services, Sundays, 146; holy days, 18; week days, 85; total, 249. Holy Communion, public, 68; private, 11. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 10; total, 13. Pupils, male, 48; female, 90; total, 138; average attendance, 100. Catechising, number of times, 25. Number of volumes, S. S. Library, 200. Subscribers to Church Helper, 13. Names of Parochial Societies: The Woman's Guild, Daughters of the King, St. Andrew's Brotherhood, St. Mary's Guild, St. Margaret's Guild, St. Elizabeth's Guild, Guild of the Little St. Agnes, Trinity Altar Guild. Have held missionary services in Dowagiac, times, 5; in Cassopolis, times, 4.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $35.06; from the offertory, $405.85; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $13.10; pew rents, $727.46; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $31.40; Women's Guilds, $785.45; Children's Guilds, $11.50; the Sunday School, $77.56; other sources, $5.75.

Total, $2,093.13.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $13.10; for the rector's salary, $1,085.30; for other salaries, $271.14; for insurance, $34; for repairs on the church and rectory, $18; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $260.

Total for Parochial Objects, $1,681.54.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $50; assessment of the convention, $192.48; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $14 85; Bishop's Trust Fund, $7.06; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $77.56; Akeley Institute, $5.75. Total for Diocesan Objects, $347.70.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $16.55.

Total for Objects exterior to the Diocese, $16.55.

Total of Disbursements, $2,045.79.

Balance in hand, $47.34.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $15,000; rectory, $3,000; total, $18,000. Insurance, on the church, $5,000; rectory, $2,000; other property, $1,000; total, $8,000. Capacity of church building, whole number of sittings, 500; of these, free, 225; rented, 275.

Bishop's Address, page 70.

All Saints' Church, Saugatuck, County of Allegan, 1868.

Rectorship vacant.
A. B. Taylor, John Priest, Wardens.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Present number, male, 4; female, 21; total, 25. Public services, Sundays, 4.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $20; individual gifts, $2.50. Total, $22.50.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For repairs on the church, $20.

Total for Parochial Objects, $20.

For objects within the Diocese—Akeley Institute, $2.50.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $2.50.

Total of Disbursements. $22.50.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000. Insurance, on the church, $1,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages .

REMARKS.

The Rev. W. W. Taylor held the Sunday services. The church, owing to the furnace being out of repair, is unfit for use in winter.

With more interest on the part of the Communicants generally, more services could be supplied.

Grace Church, Traverse City, County of Grand Traverse, 1877.

The Rev. Albert E. Wells, Rector (1892).
Elvin L. Sprague, Wm. D. Turner, Wardens.
Geo. B. Blue, Treasurer.
Albert E. Wells, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 41; adults, 102; children, 23; total, 125. Baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 5; total, 9. Confirmed persons in the parish, 59; confirmed during the year, 1. Communicants last reported, 40; admitted, 1; received, 3; total added, 4. Not found, 3; total lost, 3. Present number, male, 6; female, 35; total, 41. Public services, Sundays, 138; holy days, 19; week days, 26; total, 183. Holy Communion, public, 20; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 2; total, 3. Pupils, male, 6; female, 9; total, 15; average attendance, 10. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of volumes, S. S. Library, 200. Subscribers to Church Helper, 4. Names of Parochial Societies: Willing Workers, Grace Church Branch of Woman's Auxiliary. Have held missionary services in Central Lake, times, 21; in East Jordan, times, 6.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $278.09; individual gifts, $10; Women's Guilds, $58.50; the Sunday School, $7; other sources, $27. Total, $315.09.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $251.91; for other salaries, $18; for insurance, $10.

Total for Parochial Objects, $279 91.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $3; assessment of the convention, $5; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.10; Confirmees' Fund, $4. Total for Diocesan Objects, $14.10.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $16; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, to St. Paul's Industrial School, Lawrenceville, Va., $5.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $21.

Total of Disbursements, $315.09.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500. Indebtedness, floating, $210.76, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $210.76). Insurance, on the church, $800; total, $800. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 76.

REMARKS.

The Willing Workers have on hand a fund for windows for the better lighting of the church, $58.50.

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The Grace Church Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary has on hand $60 for re-furnishing the church and such additions to comfort of worship after the contemplated improvements are completed. There is on hand for our Parish, $118.50.

Grace Church, Union City, County of Branch, 1864.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
T. Baker, M. D., George Styles, Wardens.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families and parts, 10; adults and children, 29. Of these, baptized persons, 25. Confirmed persons in the parish, 22. Communicants, last reported, 19; received, 2; total added, 2. Died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3. Present number, male, 3; female, 15; total, 18. Public services, Sundays, 12. Holy Communion, public, 5; private, 4. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8,

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $30.54; subscriptions, $181; individual gifts, $22.68.
Total, $234.22.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For repairs on the church, $196.68: for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $4.
Total for Parochial Objects, $200.68.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $26.05; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.80. Total for Diocesan Objects, $27.85.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $5.69.
Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $5.69.
Total of Disbursements $234.22.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,800. Indebtedness, floating, $49 39. (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $49 39). Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages .

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ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

St. Matthew's Church, Baldwin, County of Lake, 1879.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, M. (1894).
A. J. Matthews in charge of property.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 6; adults, 14; children, 12; total, 26; of these, baptized persons, 20. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 8. Communicants, last reported, 7. Present number, male and female, 7. Public services, week days, 1; total, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

All other sources, $10.53. Total, $10.53.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $400; Rectory, $200; investments, $110.

Bishop's Address, pages .

REMARKS.

The Church property is rented and repairs are to be made.

Holy Trinity Church, Benton Harbor, County of Berrien, 1882.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Rector (1892).
Clarence W. Heath, Warden.
Mrs. Geo. M. Bell, Secretary.
James Pound, Treasurer.
M. S. Woodruff, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 52; adults, 114; children, 48; total, 162; of these; baptized persons, 135; baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 3; total, 5, confirmed persons in the Parish, 92; confirmed during the year, 15; communicants, last reported, 61; admitted, 15; total added, 15; died, 1; removed, 4; dropped, 1; total lost, 6; present number, male, 21; female, 59; total, 80; burials, 1; public services, Sundays, 102; Holy days, 10; week days, 46; total, 158; Holy Communion, public, 16; private, 3; Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4; total, 5; pupils, male, 14; female, 22; total, 36; average attendance, 28; catechising, number of times, 12; S. S. library, 200 volumes; subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Names of Parochial societies: Guild of the Holy Trinity, Altar Guild, Boys' Department of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $63.52; from the offertory, $143.22; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $9.86; subscriptions, $228.22; Women's Auxiliary (money only, not box values), $6; the Sunday School, $17.39; other sources, $58 43. Total, $526.64.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $9.86; for Rector's salary, $295; for other salaries, $49; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $9.20; Parish Endowment Fund, $1.93; by the Sunday School, for itself, $9 83.

Total for Parochial Objects, $374.82.

For objects within the diocese—Diocesan missions, $10; assessment of the convention, $32.12; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $3.50; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $6; Bishop's Trust Fund, $7.22.

Total for Diocesan objects, $58.82.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $4.32; foreign missions, $4.15; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $5.81.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $14.28.

Total of disbursements, $447.92.

Balance in hand, $78.72.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500; salary of the rector, $400 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $1,300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 78.

REMARKS.

Funds on hand, organ fund, building fund, etc., total, $187.50.

St. James' Mission, Cassopolis, County of Cass, 1891.

The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner, in charge.
W. D. Hopkins, Warden.
Mrs. E. D. Bennett, Secretary.
J. B. Boyd, Treasurer.
W. D. Hopkins, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 16; adults, 27: children, 17; total, 44. Of these baptized persons, 37; baptized during the year, infants, 3; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the parish, 19: confirmed during the year, 2. Communicants last reported, 15. Marriages, 1. Public services, Sundays, 1; week days, 3; total, 4. Holy Communion, public, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 6; total 8. Pupils, male, 6; female, 11; total, 17. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2. Name of Parochial Society: Ladies' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $ .43; from the offertory, $2.01; Women's Guild's, $36.75. Total, $39.19.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For all expenses of parish maintenance, $36.31. Total for Parochial Objects, $36.31.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $1.38; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.46. Total for Diocesan Objects, $2 84.

Total of Disbursements, $39.15.

Balance in hand, $ .04.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Insurance, $125.

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St. Matthias' Church, Central Lake, County of Antrim, 1893.

The Rev A. E. Wells, B. D., Missionary.
A. W. Foy, Warden.
Samuel Crampton, Secretary.
Nelson Updegrove, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, adults and children, 30. Communicants last reported, 12. Present number, 10.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $29.40; Women's Guilds, $15. Total, $44.40.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For the missionary's expenses, $29.40; for organ, $15.
Total for Parochial objects, $44.40.
Total of Disbursements, $44.40.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $800. Indebtedness, due the Diocese on assessment, $3.15; secured, $300. Insurance, on the church, $500.

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Christ Church Mission, County of Charlevoix, 1887.

E. H. Green, Lay Reader.
E. H. Green, Warden.
E. H. Green, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 21; adults, 33; children 51; total 84. Confirmed persons in the parish, 39. Communicants last reported, 37. Present number, male, 8; female, 31; total, 39. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 10; total, 10. Holy Communion, public, 3. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 3; total, 5. Pupils, male, 17; female, 33; total, 50; average attendance, 35. Subscribers to Church Helper; 3. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Guild, Junior Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $64.30; Ladies' Guilds, $172.43; Children's Guilds, $13; the Sunday School, $31.03. Total, $280.76.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—The increase and improvement of church property, $196.77; for the Sunday School, $31.20.
Total for Parochial Objects, $229.25.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $21.36; assessment of the convention, arrears paid, ($1.28), $3.58; services for deaf mutes, $3.62; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3; Akeley institute, $6.
Total for Diocesan Objects, $37.56.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $3; foreign missions, $3; by the Sunday School, for missions, $7.95.
Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $13.95.
Total of Disbursements, $280.76.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,700. Indebtedness, floating, $149. Insurance, on the church, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 50; of these, free, all.

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Grace Church, Charlotte, County of Eaton, 1888.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary (1896).
J. W. Watson, Lay Reader.
J. L. Collisi, Warden.
F. R. Barney, Secretary.
C. B. Lamb, Treasurer.
J. W. Watson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 40; adults, 90; children, 36; total, 126. Baptized during the year, infants, 2. Communicants, last reported, 68; received, 1: total added, 1. Removed, 2; not found, 11; total lost, 13. Present number, male, 13; female, 43; total, 56. Public services, Sundays, 20; holy days, 7; total, 27. Holy Communion, public, 8. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Name of Parochial Society: Ladies' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $55.65; individual gifts, $23.24; Women's Guilds, $30.
Total, $108.89.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the pairsh—For insurance, $30.
Total for Parochial Objects, $30.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $65.23; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $1.52; Bishop's Trust Fund, $7.42.
Total for Diocesan Objects, $74.17.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $1.42; domestic missions, $3.30. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $4.72.
Total of Disbursements, $108.89.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Chapel, $3.500. Indebtedness, floating, $612.05, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $55.92). Insurance, on the church, $1,500.

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Epiphany Church, Coopersville, County of Kent, 1877.

Owing to the Mission being really extinct no services have been held during the year.

St. Alban's Mission Church, Dowagiac, County of Cass, 1897.

The Rev. R. H. Fortescue, Rector, in charge (1897).
Rufus W. Sheldon, Warden.
William Elliott, Secretary.
Robert Elliott, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 8; total, 10; confirmed persons in the Parish, 22; confirmed during the year, 6; present number, male, 4; female, 18; total, 22; public services, week days, 5. Name of Parochial Society: St. Mary's Guild, 36 members.

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Redeemer Church, East Jordan, County of Charlevoix, 1887.

The Rev. A. E. Wells, Missionary.
Charles T. Whittington, Warden.
Mrs. F. H. Van Orden, Treasurer.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 11; adults, 20; children, 16; total, 36. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 18; communicants last reported, 24; present number, male, 6; female, 12; total, 18; public services, week days, 6. Holy Communion, 4. Sunday School, not kept up.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $9.36; individual gifts, $3; Women's Guilds, $15.76; the Sunday School, $8; other sources, $11.67. Total, $38.79.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Missionary expenses, $2.80; paid on indebtedness, $25.12; by the Sunday School, for papers and wood, $8.

Total for Parochial Objects, $35.92.
Total of disbursements, $35.92.
Balance in hand, $3 87.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500. Indebtedness, floating, $102.25; missionary pledges, $2.25. Insurance, on the Church, $500; total, $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 100; of these, free, all.

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REMARKS.

This Mission has been without Sunday services for nearly two years, and hardly enough is done to keep our membership there legal.

St. Matthew's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1892.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., Priest in charge (1897).
James Ellis, Warden.
Ralph Treat, Secretary.
Wm. H. Meech, Treasurer.
Mrs. J. Warner, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 37; total, 110. Of these, baptized persons, 90; baptized during the year, infants and adults, total, 5; Confirmed persons in the Parish, 30; confirmed during the year, 1. Communicants, last reported, 30; admitted, 3; received, 1; total added, 4. Died, 2. Removed, 2; total lost, 4. Present number, male and female, total, 30. Public services, total, 80. Holy Communion, public, 4. Sunday School, teachers and officers, total, 4; pupils, male and female, total, 60. Names of Parochial Societies: Choir, Helping Hand, Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $45; Women's Guilds, $85. Total, $130.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $25; for insurance and interest, $75; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $6.16; the increase and improvement of Church property, $10.

Total for Parochial objects, $116.16.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $5; assessment of the Convention, $3 84. Total for Diocesan objects, $8.84.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2; foreign missions, $2; Bible and Common Prayer Book societies, $1.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $5.
Total disbursements, $130.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $3,000; indebtedness secured, $1,500. Insurance on the Church, $1,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

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REMARKS.

The Rev. Dr. Fair was in charge May 1st and the above report includes some services rendered by Rev. M. H. Martin and Rev. W. P. Law.

St. John's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1892.

The Rev. John Brewster Hubbs, D. C. L., Priest in Charge (1892).
The Rev. A. Reeves, M. D., Assistant Minister.
Wilbur W. Smith, Warden.
Stephen C. Rickman, Secretary.
George Patterson, Treasurer.
Stephen C. Rickman, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 30. Baptized during the year, infants, 1. Confirmed during the year, 4. Communicants, last reported, 27; admitted, 6; total added, 6. Present number, male, 14; female, 19; total, 33. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 103; week days, 10; total, 110. Holy Communion, public, 15. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 6; total, 9. Pupils, male and female, 98; average attendance, 70. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Society, Altar Guild.

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THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $98; Women's Guilds, $212; the Sunday School, $76.
Total, $386.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the Assistant's salary, (paid to June 1st) $85; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $7; for interest, $132; paid on indebtedness, $50; by the Sunday School, for its own work, $70.
Total for Parochial Objects, $344.
Total of Disbursements, $344.
Balance in hand, $42.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $4,000. Indebtedness, due the Diocese on assessment, $20 06); secured, $2,500. Salary of the assistant, $75. Insurance, on the church, $2,300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all. Bishop's Address, page 77.

St. Paul's Church, Greenville, County of Montcalm, 1887.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Missionary (1896).
John Avery, Warden.
George Herbert Chandler, Secretary.
S. M. Albertson, Treasurer.
Geo. Herbert Chandler, Ass't Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 33; adults, 76; children, 34; total, 110. Of these, baptized persons, 90; baptized during the year, infants, 1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 60. Communicants last reported, 50; received, 6; total added, 6. Removed, 5; total lost, 5. Present number, male, 12; female,

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39; total, 51. Holy Communion, public, 12; private 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 1; total, 4. Pupils, male, 14; female, 16; total, 30. Number of volumes, S. S. Library, 200.

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THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $ .60; from the offertory, $71.87; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $16.47; subscriptions, $210; Women's Guilds, $16; the Sunday School, $24.49; other sources, $59.50.

Total, $398.93.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For Rector's salary, (paid to June 1, '97,) $225; for other salaries, $36 83; for insurance, $28; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $43.96; paid on indebtedness, (am't due at last convention, $9.45) $6.50; for the Sunday School, for library books, $10; by the Sunday School, for itself, $26.97.

Total for Parochial objects, $367.26.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $5; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $3.25; Bishop's Trust Fund, $6.17; Akeley Institute—Confirmees' Fund, $1 50.

Total for Diocesan objects, $15 92.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $3.78; foreign missions, $1.50; missions for colored people, $ .90; Indian missions, $ .87; by the Sunday School, for general missions—the Lenten offering, $7.43.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $14.48.

Total of Disbursements, $397.66.

Balance in hand, $ .88.

Sunday School, $ .57.

Total balance, $1.45.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500. Indebtedness, floating, $76.81, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $8.84). Salary of the rector, $300 and entertainment. Insurance, on the church, $800; other property, $200; total, 1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 170; of these, free, all.

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St. John's Church, Harbor Springs, County of Emmet, 1883.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Public services, Sundays, 11. Holy Communion, public, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $133.30; other sources, $100. Total, $233.30.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For clerical services, $55; for repairs on the church and grounds, $120.96; for oll other expenses of parish maintenance, $24.50. Total for Parochial Objects, $200.46.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $26.77.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $26.77.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $6 07.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $6.07.

Total of Disbursements, $233.30.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,500. Indebtedness, floating, $6.29, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $6.29). Insurance, on the church, $2,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

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REMARKS.

The Bishop of Missouri was in charge during the summer, assisted by the Rev. Wm. Elmer and other visiting clergy.

There are but few resident churchmen. The $100 was from an unknown giver, at Harbor Point, for a fence.

St. Andrew's Church, Hart, County of Oceana, 1897.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1897).
H. J. Service, Warden.
C. A. Birge, Secretary.
C. L. Latimer, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 12; adults, 25; children, 10; total, 35. Of these, baptized persons, 20. Confirmed persons in the parish, 12. Present number, male, 4; female, 4; total, 8. Public services, Sundays, 3; week days, 5; total, 8. Holy Communion, private, 2. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $7.14. Total, $7.14.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For all other expenses of parish maintenance, $3.99. Total for Parochial Objects, $3.99.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $3 15.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $3.15.

Total of Disbursements, $7.14.

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Christ Church, Luther, County of Lake. 1896.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, M. (1894.)
Wm. G. L. Vincent, Warden.
Fred. Barghoorn, Secretary.
J. S. Sterling, Treasurer.
Fred. Barghoorn, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 18; adults, 25; Children, 15; total, 40. Of these, baptized persons, 35; baptized during the year, infants, 8; adults 2; total, 10. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 25; confirmed during the year, 7; Communicants, last reported, 20; admitted, 7; total added, 7. Removed, 1; suspended, 1; dropped, 2; total lost, 4. Present number, male, 7; female, 16; total, 23. Public Services, Sundays, 13; week days, 22; total, 35. Holy Communion, public, 6. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male and female, total, 4; pupils, male and female, total, 20; average attendance, 10. Catechising, number of times, 6. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $20.87; subscriptions, $30; individual gifts from outside the town, $100. Total, 158.97.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Expenses of Parish maintenance, $10; the increase and improvement of Church property, $130.
Total for Parochial objects, $140.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $9.52.
Total for Diocesan objects, $9.52.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—American Church Building Fund Commission, $1.35.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.35.
Total of Disbursements, $150.87.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $150. Indebtedness, floating, $45; Missionary pledges, $10.48. Insurance on the Church and contents. $500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 100; of these, free, all.
Bishop's Address, page 78.

REMARKS.

The whole number of sittings is placed at 100, but this includes the seats not yet secured. There is a good place here for fifty chairs.

Church of the Nativity, Mancelona, County of Antrim, 1896.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, General Missionary (1896.)
Chas. Kemp, Warden.
Edward Kemp, Secretary.
Frank Goff, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 16; adults, 30; children, 12; total, 42. Of these Baptized persons, 30; baptized during the year, adults, 1; total, 1. Confirmed persons in the parish, 12; confirmed during the year, 2. Communicants, last reported, 14; admitted, 2; total added, 2; removed, 6; total lost, 6. Present number, male, 3; female, 7; total, 10. Public services, Sundays, 10; week days, 4; total, 14. Holy Communion, public, 5. Sunday School, teachers and officers, female, 4; total, 4; pupils, male and female, total, 20; average attendance, 15. Catechising, number of times, 7. Subscribers to Church Helper, 1; Name of Parochial society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $50; Women's Guilds, $110; the Sunday School, $10; other sources, $5.10. Total, $175.10.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For all expenses of Parish maintenance, $20; purchase of land, $55; by the Sunday School, for supplies, $2.
Total for Parochial objects, $77.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $30; assessment of the Convention, $2.08; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $1.35.
Total for Diocesan objects, $33.43.

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For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $1.75; American Church Building Fund Commission, $1.55; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, united offering boxes, $5.10; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $5.44.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $13.84.
Total of disbursements, $124.27.
Balance in hand, $50.83.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church lot, $55; investments, $50; total, $105.

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St. Luke's Mission, Muskegon, County of Muskegon, 1890.

The Rev. Phillip W. Mosher, M. A., Rector (1893.)
Alfred Bullock, Warden.
Miss Pearl Decker, Secretary.
Mrs. Adam Pyle, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 24; adults, 57; children, 71; total, 128. Of these, baptized persons, 94; baptized during the year, infants, 3; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the parish, 38. Communicants last reported, 34; received, 3; total added, 3. Removed, 2; total lost, 2. Present number, male, 9; female, 26; total, 35. Marriages, 1. Public services, Sundays, 63; holy days, 4; week days, 54; total, 121. Holy Communion, public, 14; private, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 6; total, 9. Pupils, male, 37; female, 42; total, 79; average attendance, 60. Catechising, number of times, 50. Names of Parochial societies: Young People's Society, Women's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $5.02; from the offertory, $10.66; the envelope system, $6.53; subscriptions, $52.50; individual gifts, $260; Women's Guild's, $67; Children's Guilds, $16.16; the Sunday School, $25.98; other sources, $9.45. Total, $453.30.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For other salaries, $28; for insurance, $3; for repairs on the church, $8.80; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $14.15; paid on indebtedness, $353.12; for the Sunday School, $5; by the Sunday School, for itself, $23.92.

Total for Parochial Objects, $435.99.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $5.50; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1. Total for Diocesan Objects, $6.50.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for general missions, $6.08.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $6.08.
Total of Disbursements $448.57.
Balance in hand, $4.73.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500. Indebtedness, missionary pledges, $18.75. Insurance, on the church, $400; total, $400. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 125; of these, free, all.

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REMARKS.

By the help of Mr. W. G. Low, of New York City, the mortgage has this year been paid.

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St. John's Church, Mt. Pleasant, County of Isabella, 1886.

The Rev. William Westover, Rector (1893.)
Edward Audlin, Warden.
A. L. Hutchinson, Secretary.
Mrs. A. L. Hutchinson, Treasurer.
Rev. W. Westover, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 45; adults, 80; children, 60; total, 140. Of these baptized persons, 130; baptized during the year, infants, 8; adults, 5; total, 13. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 74; confirmed during the year, 7; communicants, last reported, 67; admitted, 6; total added, 6. Died, 1; removed, 1; dropped, 6; total lost, 8. Present number, male, 5; female, 60; total, 65. Marriages, 1; burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 106; Holy days, 30; week days, 30; total, 166. Holy Communion, public, 20. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 5; total, 7. Pupils, male, 15; female, 25; total, 40; average attendance, 25. Catechising, number of times, 40. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3. Name of Parochial Society: Ladies' Guild. Have held missionary services in Clare, times, 12.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $64.40; the envelope system, $180; individual gifts, $200; Women's Guilds, $158.11; the Sunday School, $22.96; other sources, $225.35. Total, $850.82.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For Rector's salary, (paid to Dec., 1896,) $180; for other salaries, $78.68; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $200; by Woman's Guild, $143.80; paid on indebtedness, $182.90; for the Sunday School, $22.96. Total for Parochial Objects, $808 46.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, $3; assessment of the convention, $28.38; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.73.
Total for Diocesan Objects, $35.11.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $7.25.
Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $7.25.
Total of Disbursements, $850.82.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,500; rectory, $1,800; total, $4,300. Indebtedness, floating, $60.35, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $8.35; missionary pledges, $18 50). Salary of the rector, $500 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; rectory, $1,000; total, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

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St. Mark's Church, Newaygo, County of Newaygo, 1876.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1894.)
R. D. Miller, Warden.
Mrs. M. F. Hatch, Secretary.
John Simmons, Treasurer.
E. S. Bennett, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 28; adults, 40; children, 30; total, 70. Of these, baptized persons, 60; baptized during the year, infants, 3; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the parish, 40. Communicants last reported, 40. Died, 1; removed, 4; not found 2; total lost, 7. Present number, male, 7; female,

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28; total, 35. Public services, Sundays, 21; week days, 7; total, 28. Holy Communion, public, 7. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 5, total, 7. Pupils, male and female, 40; average attendance, 30. Catechising, number of times, 8. Subscribers to Church Helper, 5. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild, Young People's League, Woman's Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $9.42; from the offertory, $26; Women's Guilds, $40; the Sunday School, $45.21; other sources, $7.24. Total, $127.87.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects with the parish—For the rector's salary, (paid to date) $77.21; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $23.24; by the Sunday School, for papers, etc., $23. Total for Parochial Objects, $123.45.

For objects within the Diocese—Bishop's Trust Fund, $1; by the Sunday School, for building at Luther, $2.21. Total for Diocesan Objects, $3.21.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—American Church Building Fund Commission, $1.21. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $1.21.

Total of Disbursements, $127.87.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $4,000. Indebtedness, floating, $13.77. (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $13.77; missionary pledges, $112.50). Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

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St. Mark's Church, Paw Paw, County of Van Buren, 1891.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families and parts, 15; adults and children, total, 36. Of these, baptized persons, 22; baptized during the year, infants, 1. Confirmed persons in the parish, 19. Communicants last reported, 14. Present number, female, 14. Marriages, 1. Public services, Sundays, 12; week days, 1; total, 13. Holy Communion, public, 6. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $9.47; subscriptions, $45; Women's Guilds, $43.23; Junior Ladies' Societies, $13. Total, $110.70.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For repairs on the church (painting), $45; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $17; the increase and improvement of church property, $39.23.

Total for Parochial Objects, $101.23.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $8.32; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $1.15. Total for Diocesan Objects, $9.47.

Total of Disbursements, $110.70.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,400. Indebtedness, floating, due the Diocese on assessment, $8c.37.

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St. James Church, Pentwater, County of Oceana, 1897.

The Rev. W. P. Law, Missionary (1894.)
Eli E. Pugh, Warden.
Marion F. Hyde, Secretary.
Chauncey D. Pool, Treasurer.
Eben P. S. Miller, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 44; adults, 45; children, 35; total, 80. Of these, baptized persons, 70; baptized during the year, infants, 13; adults, 2; total, 15. Confirmed persons in the parish, 50; confirmed during the year, 4. Communicants last reported, 45; admitted, 5; total added, 5. Removed, 2; not found, 3; total lost, 5. Present number, male, 8; female, 37; total, 45. Public services, Sundays, 28; week days, 19; total, 47. Holy Communion, public, 17. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 4; total, 6. Pupils, male and female, total, 60; average attendance, 40. Catechising, number of times, 6. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild, Altar Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $11.87; from the offertory, $90.78; Women's Guilds, $85; income from rent, $23. Total, $210.65.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $58.80; for insurance, interest and taxes, $27.96;for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $12.53; paid on bonded indebtedness, (am't due at last convention, $200,) $70; for the Sunday School, $4.05.
Total for Parochial Objects, $173.34.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $6.93; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $1; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2; Akeley Institute, $1.25. Total for Diocesan Objects, $11.18.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for general missions, $6.13. Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $6.13.
Total of Disbursements, $190.65.
Balance in hand, $20.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,500; rectory, $450; total, $2,950. Indebtedness, Missionary pledges, $72.75. Insurance, on the church and furniture, $1,000; rectory, $300; total, $1,300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 75; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 79.

REMARKS.

This does not include labor and material donated for painting the church.

Emmanuel Church, Petoskey, County of Emmet, 1877.

The Rev. J. W. Armstrong, Missionary (1897.)
St. Quentin H. Williams, Lay Reader.
Ralph Connable, Warden.
C. E. Churchill, Secretary.
St. Quentin H. Williams, Treasurer.
M. E. Brackett, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Baptized during the year, infants, 7; total, 7; Communicants, last reported, 85; present number, male and female, total, 80; burials, 2; public services, Sundays, 109; holy days, 2; week days, 39; total, 150; Holy Communion, public, 32; private, 1; total, 33; Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 9; total, 13; pupils, male and female, total, 50; average attendance, 40; catechising, number of times, weekly. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 200; subscribers to Church Helper, 7; names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Guild, Junior Auxiliary, Woman's Auxiliary; have held missionary services in Mancelona, 1 time.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $55.13; from the offertory, $166.64; the envelope system, $631.85; subscriptions, $5; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $5; Women's Guilds, $111.26; choir, $17.40; Children's Guilds, $13.05; the Sunday School, $71.76; for organ fund, $30. Total, $1,107.09.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary (paid to date, June 1st, 1897), $496; for other salaries, $119.50; for insurance, $30; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $116.45; music, $24.90; the increase and improvement of Church property, $37.05; paid on indebtedness, old bills, $91.95; interest on mortgage, $56; by the Sunday School, for supplies and arrears, $61.76. Total for Parochial objects, $1,033 61.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $6.42; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2.55. Total for Diocesan objects, $8.97.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, S. S., $10.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $10.
Total of disbursements, $1,052.58.
Balance in hand, $54.51.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church and Chapel, $600. Indebtedness, Diocese on assessment, $144.61(?); missionary pledges $8.58; salary of the Rector, $700; Insurance, on the Church, $1,500; other property, $1,500; total, $3,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 300; of these, free, all.
Bishop's Address, page 76.

REMARKS.

The foregoing report is for exactly the Conventional year, though the present incumbent has only been in the field since January 1st. The remaining services were held by Mr. Williams (Lay Reader) and visiting clergymen during the summer months.

St. John's Church, Quincy, County of Branch, 1882.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary (1896.)
Mrs. Kate Lytle, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 21; adults, 36; children, 40; total, 76; baptized during the year, infants, 2; communicants, last reported, 22; not found, 6; present number, female, 16; public services, Sundays, 10; Holy Communion, public, 5; private 1. Name of Parochial society: Ladies' Aid Society.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $5.54; subscriptions, $3; Women's Guilds, $83.27; from sale of old organ, $10; other sources, $2.85. Total, $104.66.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For insurance, $2.63; for repairs on the Church, $10.44; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $5.85; the increase and improvement of Church property, $80.20.

Total for Parochial objects, $99.12.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $5.54.

Total for Diocesan objects, $5.54.

Total of disbursements, $104.66.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,200; indebtedness, due the Diocese on assessment, $33.09.

Bishop's Address, page 76.

REMARKS.

*Figures given are those of 1894. They are probably much too large; certainly are in the case of the number of children. The loss of numbers must have been great by the suspension of the Sunday School.

St. James' Church, Rockford, County of Kent, 1880.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1896.)

Mr. Geo. T. Saunders, Warden.
Mrs. Ida M. Bailey, Secretary.
Mrs. Wm. Haskell, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 20; children, 10; total, 30; of these, baptized persons, 25; baptized during the year, infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 16; confirmed during the year, 3; communicants, last reported, 14; admitted, 3; total added, 3; not found, 2; total lost, 2; present number, male, 3; female, 12; total, 15; public services, Sundays, 18; week days, 1; total, 19; Holy Communion, public, 7. Catechising, number of times, 3; subscribers to Church Helper, 3. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $14.49. Total, $14.49.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For all expenses of Parish maintenance, $4.

Total for Parochial objects, $4.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $6.45; assessment of the Convention, $0.72; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2 02.

Total for Diocesan objects, $9.19.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—American Church Building Fund Commission, $1.30. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.30.

Total of disbursements, $14.49.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,500; insurance, on the Church, $1,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 77.

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REMARKS.

The report is for nine months from September 1, 1896.

St. James' Mission, Sturgis, County of St. Joseph, 1890.

The Rev. C. R. Taylor, in charge, (1895.)
J. J. Wait, Warden.
Mrs. S. E. Williams, Secretary.
Mrs. B. K. Putnam, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 52; adults, 124; children, 42; total, 166; of these baptized persons, 109; baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 2; total 4; confirmed persons in the Parish, 57; confirmed during the year, 6; communicants, last reported, 35; admitted, 6; received, 6; total added, 12; present number, male, 16; female, 31; total, 47; marriages, 1; burials, 1; public services, Sundays, 55; Holy days, 4; week days, 36; total, 95; Holy Communion, public, 18; private, 1; Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 5; total, 8; pupils, male, 10; female, 25; total, 35; average attendance, 25; Catechising, number of times, 8: names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Aid, Woman's Auxiliary, Y. P. S. S. G.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $0.45; from the offertory, $33.89; the envelope system, $179 88; individual gifts, $69.50; Women's Guilds, $133.97; other sources, $22,14; borrowed, $29. Total, $468.83.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported) $9 95; for the Rector's salary, $318.50; for other salaries, $1.57: for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $120 64.

Total for Parochial objects, $450.66.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the Convention, $17.37.

Total for Diocesan objects, $1.31.

Total of disbursements, $468.03.

Balance in hand, $0.80.

Bishop's Address, page 77.

St. Paul's Church, St. Joseph, County of Berrien, 1896.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Missionary (1897).
R. Gates Rice, Warden.
Geo. K. Pixley, Secretary.
Thomas S. Clarke, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 27; adults, 56; children, 16; total, 72. Of these baptized persons, 65; baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 5; total, 7. Confirmed persons in the parish, 47; confirmed during the year, 8. Communicants, present number, male, 17; female, 26; total, 43. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 50; week days, 2; total, 52. Holy Communion, public, 2. Subscribers to Church Helper, 5. Name of Parochial Society: St. Catharine's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $4.63; from the offertory, $242.10; Women's Guilds, $242.74. Total, $489.47.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For the rector's salary, $120; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $65.39.

Total for Parochial Objects, $185.39.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $4.41; Bishop's Trust Fund, $10.21.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $24.62.

Total of Disbursements, $210.01.

Balance in hand, ($36.72, Treasurer; $242.74, Women's Guilds,) $279.46.

Salary of the rector, $120.

Bishop's Address, page 78.

St. Johannes' Church, Tustin, County of Osceola, 1897.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1895.)
N. Nelson, M. Swanson, Wardens.
John Peterson, Secretary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 12; adults, 20; children, 10; total, 30. Of these, baptized persons, 30; baptized during the year, infants, 3; total, 3. Communicants, last reported, 10. Public services, Sundays, 1; week days, 4; total, 5. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $1.50. Total, $1.50.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, $1.50.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $1.50.

Total of Disbursements, $1.50.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church and lands, $700; investments, $1,200; total, $1,900.

Bishop's Address, page 78.

REMARKS.

A number of church families live near Le Roy, and very few church people in the village of Tustin. Only one of the services reported was held in the old church.

Trinity Mission Church, Three Rivers, County of St. Joseph, 1897.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
C. E. Jameson, Lay Reader.
C. E. Jameson, Warden.
William C. Griffin, Secretary.
Jerome Merrell, Treasurer.
C. E. Jameson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 25; adults, 51; children, 14; total, 65. Of these, baptized persons, 53. Confirmed persons in the parish, 34; confirmed during the year, 2. Communicants, last reported, 22; admitted, 2; received, 3; total added, 5. Removed, 3; total lost, 3. Present number, male, 6; female, 18; total, 24. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 66; holy days, 5; total, 71. Holy Communion, public, 9. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 4; total, 7. Pupils, male, 8; female, 11; total, 19; average attendance, 15. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 110. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $25.39; from the offertory, $59.07; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $2.11; individual gifts, $5; Women's Guilds, $77.15; other sources, $5, from Bishop's Trust Fund.

Total, $173.72.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For rector's salary (paid expenses of general missionary and lay reader), $11.88; for insurance, $30; for repairs on the church, $16.87; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $32.77.

Total for Parochial Objects, $91.52.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10; assessment of the convention, $11.07; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.11; by the Sunday School, for missions, $6. Total for Diocesan Objects, $29.18.

Total of Disbursements, $120.70.

Balance in hand, $53.02.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000. Indebtedness, due the Diocese on assessment $2.76. Insurance, on the church, $2,000. Capacity of the church building, whole nnmber of sittings, 275; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 75–76.

Church of the Redeemer, Whitehall, County of Muskegon, 1891.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1894.)
Martin De Maas, Warden.
Mrs. Nettie Harwood, Secretary and Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 20; children, 10; total, 30. Of these, baptized persons, 25; baptized during the year, infants, 1; total, 1. Confirmed persons in the parish, 20. Communicants, last reported, 20. Public services, Sundays, 5; week days, 4; total, 9. Holy Communion, public, 2. Subscribers to Church Helper, 1. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $3.06; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $2.17. Total, $5.23.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish—For service, Rev. J N. Rippey, M. D., $2.17; for all expenses of parish maintenance, $ .30.

Total for Parochial Objects, $2.47.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, arrears paid, ($2.76), $2.76.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $2.76.

Total of Disbursements, $5.23.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000. Indebtedness, missionary pledges, $5.25. Insurance, on the church, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 125; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 75.

REMARKS.

Two of the above services were given by Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D.

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UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Unorganized Mission, Clare, County of Clare, 1897.

The Rev. Wm. Westover, Priest in charge (1896.)

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 20; children, 10; total, 30. Of these baptized persons, 15; baptized during the year, infants, 4. Confirmed persons in the parish, 15; confirmed during the year, 1. Communicants, admitted, 3; received, 1; total added, 4. Present number, female, 4; total, 4. Burials, 2. Public services, week days, 20; total, 20. Holy Communion, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $4. Total, $4.

REMARKS.

There is good hope that the Mission in Clare may become a success.

Bishop's Address, page 78.

Unorganized Mission, Grand Ledge, County of Eaton.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary (18—).

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 8; adults, 19: children, 5; total, 24. Of these, baptized persons, 20; baptized during the year, adults, 1. Confirmed persons in the parish, 13. Communicants last reported, 8. Present number, female, 8. Public services, Sundays, 3; week days, 1; total, 4. Holy Communion, private, 2. Subscribers to Church Helper, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $4.25. Total, $4.25.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, $1.45.
Total for Diocesan Objects, $1.45.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $2.80.
Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $2.80.
Total of Disbursements, $4.25.

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St. Luke's Mission, Grand Rapids, County of Kent.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., officiated regularly during the year. The following statistics are taken from last year's report.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, about 25; adults, 60; children, 30; total, 90. Confirmed persons in the mission, 22. Communicants last reported, 27. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 5; total 6. Pupils, male, 11; female, 13; total, 24.

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NO FINANCIAL REPORT.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Investments, for Church lot, $95.

Bishop's Address, pages .

Mission Church, Portland, County of Ionia.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary, in charge.

CLERICAL REPORT.

FROM LAST YEAR'S REPORT.

Congregation, families, 9; adults and children, 24. Of these, baptized persons, 24. Confirmed persons in the parish, 16. Communicants, male, 3; female, 10; total, 13.

NO FINANCIAL REPORT.

Bishop's Address, pages .

Unorganized Church, Reed City, County of Osceola.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 7; adults, 14; children, 6; total, 20. Of these, baptized persons, 15; baptized during the year, infants, 1. Confirmed persons in the parish, 10. Communicants, last reported, 7; present number, 7. Public services, Sundays, 2.

NO FINANCIAL REPORT.

Bishop's Address, page 76.

REMARKS.

The services reported were held by the Rev. Wm. Wright, of Big Rapids. The baptism was by the Bishop.

Grace Mission, Stanton, County of Montcalm.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 5; adults, 11; children 7; total, 18. Of these, baptized persons, 17; baptized during the year, total, 9; present number, male, 1; female, 6; total, 7.

NO FINANCIAL REPORT.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Investments, $45.11.

Bishop's Address, pages .

REMARKS.

There have been no services held during the past year. The above statistics are partly from last report.

St. Stephen's Church, Schoolcraft, County of Kalamazoo.

The Rev. Artemas Wetherbee, Missionary, (1896.)
Mrs. H. Smith, Secretary.
Miss Minnie Monroe, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 16; adults, 41; children, 3; total, 44. Of these, baptized persons, 40. Baptized during the year, adults, 3; total, 3. Con-

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firmed persons in the Parish, 30. Confirmed during the year, 5. Communicants last reported, 20; admitted, 5; received, 1; *total added, 6. Removed, 2; total lost, 2. Present number, male, 2; female, 22; total, 24. Marriages, 1. Public services, Sundays, 49; holy days, 9; total, 58. Holy Communion, public, 20; private, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $3; from the offertory, $8.55; Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $14.45; the envelope system and subscriptions, $101.25; individual gifts, $500; Women's Guilds, $24.78.

Total, $653.03.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the rector's salary, (paid to June 1) $101.25; for other salaries (organist), $9.00; for repairs on the church and rectory, $ .85; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $26.52.

Total for Parochial Objects, $137.62.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $2.50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.06; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.50.

Total for Diocesan Objects, $6.06.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $4.30; domestic missions, $1; foreign missions, $1; General Clergy Relief Fund, $1.

Total for Objects Exterior to the Diocese, $7.30.

Total of Disbursements, $150.98.

Balance in hand, $501.05.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000. Salary of the rector, $125. Insurance, on the church, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 78.

REMARKS.

There is no Sunday School because there are no church children in the village of Schoolcraft. The gift of $500 is on interest and held in trust. Four of the families stated in the report reside in Vicksburg. My clerical report and the salary are for nine months beginning September 1, 1896.

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APPENDIX C.

PERSONAL AND OTHER REPORTS.

To the Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, S. T. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

Tabular Statement of Services and Offerings for the year ending May 31, 1897

TOWNS AND PARISHES.	Sunday Services	Week Day Services or Pastoral Visits	Celebrations Public	Celebrations Private	Receptions of the Holy Communion	Number Confirmed	Baptisms—Infants	Baptisms—Adults	Marriages	Pastoral Calls	Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund	Trust Fund	General Missions	Domestic Missions	Diocesan Missions	TOTALS
Albion, St. James'	2	....	1	....	28	....	....	....	....	....	$	$ 2 88	$	$	$	$ 2 88
Cassopolis, St. James'	2	1	....	....	8	....	1	....	....	8	....	....	....	....	55	55
Charlotte, Grace	16	7	8	....	125	....	....	....	....	36	1 52	7 42	1 42	3 30	65 23	78 89
Constantine	..	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	....	....	....	....	....	....
Decatur	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	....	....	....	....	....	....
Grand Ledge	3	1	....	2	6	....	1	....	....	8	....	....	2 80	....	1 45	4 25
Homer, Christ	12	1	5	....	87	....	....	....	....	23	....	....	....	....	5 71	5 71
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	10	1	5	....	39	....	....	1	....	33	1 15	....	....	....	8 32	9 47
Quincy, St. John's	9	....	4	1	25	....	2	....	....	14	....	....	....	....	5 54	5 54
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	4	1	2	....	18	....	....	....	....	12	....	....	5 00	....	....	5 00
Three Rivers, Trinity	15	....	8	....	73	2	....	....	....	16	....	....	....	....	7 88	7 88
Union City, Grace	12	....	5	4	54	....	....	....	....	33	....	1 80	5 60	....	26 05	33 54
TOTALS	85	14	38	7	463	2	3	1	1	193	$ 2 67	$12 10	$14 92	$ 3 30	$120 73	$153 71

Besides the above services, I preached at Mendon on the occasion of the ordering of a Priest at Grand Haven, preached or assisted in the services of two Sundays; at Hastings, solemnized two marriages and attended one burial. Two Sundays I was kept at home on account of sickness; and, in several instances, was obliged to cancel Sunday appointments at the last moment, for local reasons, and could substitute no other places.

JOSEPH W. BANCROFT,
General Missionary,
Convocation of Kalamazoo.

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Report of Woodford P. Law, General Missionary, Grand Rapids Convocation, June 1, 1896, to June 1, 1897.

To the Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

TOWNS AND PARISHES.	SERVICES					BAPTISMS		OFFERINGS										
	Sunday	Week Day	Holy Communion	Confirmation	Marriages	Infant	Adult	Akeley Institute	Bishop's Trust Fund	Clergy Fund	Diocesan Missions	Church Building Fund	Foreign Missions	Domestic Missions	General Missions	Special Offerings	TOTAL OFFERINGS
Baldwin, St. Matthews'	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 5 53	$ 5 53
Gd. Rapids, St. Matthew's	.....	4	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hart, St. Andrew's	3	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 99	7 14
Kalkaska	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	1 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	2 00	5 25
Luther, Christ Church	13	22	6	7	.....	8	2	.....	.....	.....	9 52	1 35	.....	.....	.....	10 51	21 38
Ludington, Grace	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mancelona, Nativity	12	5	5	2	.....	.....	1	75	2 72	1 35	30 00	1 55	.....	1 75	5 44	3 31	46 87
Newaygo, St. Mark's	21	7	7	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	1 25	.....	.....	.....	2 21	4 46
Pentwater, St. James'	28	19	17	4	.....	13	2	1 25	2 00	1 00	.....	1 30	.....	.....	6 13	.....	11 68
Reed City	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rockford, St. James'	18	1	7	3	.....	1	1	.....	2 02	.....	6 45	1 30	.....	.....	.....	72	10 49
Tustin and Le Roy	1	4	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50
Whitehall, Redeemer	5	4	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 06	3 06
TOTALS	101	73	45	16	3	27	6	$ 2 25	$ 8 74	$ 2 35	$51 62	$ 6 75	$ 1 00	$ 2 75	$11 57	$31 33	$118 36

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REPORT OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY FOR 1896-7.

PARISHES AND MISSIONS.	Colored Salary Fund	Dr. Cumming Scholarship, Yankton, S. Dakota	Bishop Gillespie Scholarship, Tokio, Japan	St. Mary's Orphanage, Shanghai, China	Little Cot, Wuchang, China	J. W. Bancroft Scholarship,	Circle City Hospital, Alaska	E. E. Robinson Scholarship, Standing Rock, South Dakota	Bishop's Trust Fund	Foreign Missions	Diocesan Missions	Specials	Parish Work	Contingent Fund	TOTALS	BOXES Number of	BOXES Value
Allegan	$ 7 50	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 7 50	$ 7 50	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 22 50	1	$ 20 25
Albion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 53	.....	1 10	5 63	.....	.....
Akeley Missionary Society	Through Aux.	.....	.....	.....	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	.....	.....
Battle Creek	20 00	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	32 00	.....	.....
Benton Harbor	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	109 10	1 00	115 10	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	40 00	13 00	20 00	7 00	.....	.....	10 00	17 00	18 00	.....	.....	25 25	.....	.....	150 25	1	119 85
Industrial Band, " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56 50	.....	56 50	1	11 48
Grand Rapids, Grace Church	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	2 00	7 00	1	22 75
Grand Haven	8 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	20 00	1	4 50
Hastings	6 25	.....	6 25	.....	.....	.....	6 25	6 25	.....	.....	.....	17 47	22 75	2 75	67 97	.....	.....
Ionia, Juniors for Gillespie Scholarship	11 00	5 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	3 58	1 00	29 68	1	15 50
Kalamazoo	37 00	15 25	5 00	15 00	.....	.....	8 75	19 00	.....	25 00	.....	54 39	.....	7 40	186 79	3	8 05
" Juniors	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	1 98	.....	11 98	2	15 45
Manistee	10 00	6 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 00	.....	.....
Niles	3 25	.....	3 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	3 55	6 00	1 30	20 80	5	72 49
" Juniors	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	65 00	.....	.....	.....	90 00	6	51 80
Petoskey and Juniors	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	109 00	.....	109 00	.....	.....
Sturgis	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 31	.....	.....	1 31	6	24 75
Traverse City	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	37 32	1 40	43 40	.....	5 00
Helping H'ds, St. Mark's, G. R., through Aux	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	473 59	.....	473 59	.....	.....
Elk Rapids, through Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5 34
Five Ladies, for U. Offering	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTALS	$ 148 00	$55 00	$35 00	$28 00	$40 00	$25 00	$60 00	$34 50	$50 00	$65 00	$ 134 81	$ 819 82	$19 95	$.....	29	$ 377 21

Strictly Auxiliary Work—Total money to May 25th	$1,041 49
"Helping Hands" of St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, report through Auxiliary	473 59
Total value of boxes—29 in number	377 21
Total value of boxes and money	$1,892 29

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REPORT OF ST. GEORGE'S CHAPEL, DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

The chaplain of the Diocesan School for Girls, respectfully reports as follows; The daily service has been kept up during the school year, as also the Thursday Communion. The members of the school have contributed to the work of the Diocese and of the general Church, as will be seen from the accompanying report: Receipts—Chapel offerings, personal gifts, societies:

All sources	$63.59

EXPENDITURES.

Chapel	$22.70
Trust Fund	1.07
Diocesan Missions	13.52
Foreign Missions, (Joseph W. Bancroft Scholarship)	22.48
Akeley Confirmees' Fund	3.75
Balance	.07
	$63.59
Christmas box to Rosebud Agency	$15.00
Lenten box to Rosebud Agency	13.00
Total offerings, etc	$91.59

JAMES EDWARD WILKINSON,
Chaplain.

REPORT OF REV. AUSTIN W. MANN, GENERAL MISSIONARY TO DEAF MUTES.

To the Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

During the Conventional year just closed, Sunday and week day services were given to St. Bede's Mission, which for a long time has enjoyed the hospitality of St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids. Week day services were held at Kalamazoo and Battle Creek. The services at the Flint School reached those from different parts of the Diocese. Of the dozen, or more, at the Battle Creek services, two were from Augusta, two from Bellevue, Eaton County, and two from Banfield, Barry County.

At the Sunday morning services at St. Bede's Mission, the Holy Communion was administered. No confirmations this year, although there are candidates; one now at the Flint School; one near Tekonsha; one living twenty miles north of Mt. Pleasant. I solemnized marriage once, at Buchanan.

I have worked as usual in the other Dioceses of the Mid-Western Missionary district, serving the Missions in the larger cities on Sundays, and those of the smaller ones on week days. It would be much better if the Church had a larger force of Clergy versed in the sign language. The intervals between the missionary's visit would be much shorter and the scattered deaf mutes of the towns and country could be reached with the ministrations they sorely need.

Besides the usual ministerial work, I have represented the Church Mission to Deaf Mutes at the following gatherings: The first annual re-union of the Alumni of Gallandet College, Washington, D. C.; the fifth National Convention of Deaf Mutes held at the Drexel Institute, Philadelphia; and the eighteenth Convention of the Empire State Deaf Mute Association held at Rochester. I also attended a re-union of the Alumni of the Eastern Pennsylvania School for the Deaf.

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RECEIPTS.

Stipend	$125 00
From Deaf Mute services, Grand Rapids	5 10
From Deaf Mute services, Kalamazoo	2 08
From combined service, Battle Creek	3 00
Total	$135 28

REPORT OF THE REV. MARCUS H. MARTIN, ASSISTANT MINISTER GRACE CHURCH, GRAND RAPIDS.

I respectfully report thut I had charge of St. Matthew's Mission, Grand Rapids, Mich., from June 1st to Dec. 1st, 1896, and held morning services each Sunday; also, acted as Superintendent of the Sunday School. Average congregation, 25; Holy Communions, 7; baptisms of infants, 6; of adults, 1.

Since January 12, 1897, I have served, when health permitted, as Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Grand Rapids. With health apparently restored, I look forward to more active work for the coming year.

REPORT OF REV. LEWIS C. ROGERS, MORGAN PARK, ILL.

I respectfully report that since the last Convention I have held services as follows: In St. John's Church, Grand Haven, till my resignation took effect in July, 1896; after that as "supply" in St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, St. Jude's Church, Fenton, Mich., Detroit, Mich., and St. John's Church, Saginaw, Mich. Since January 15, 1897, I have been officiating in the Church of the Mediator, Morgan Park, Ill.

SUMMARY.

Services Sundays and other days	158
Holy Communion	35
Baptisms	8
Marriages	3
Burials	6

REPORT OF REV. KARL E. OPPEN, CHICAGO, ILL.

I beg to report that during the past conciliar year, on my travels from the Atlantic to the Pacific oceans, and from the Gulf to the Great Lakes, I assisted in holding Divine services whenever invited, and spending my Summer vacation at Manistee, Mich. I took the services at the Holy Trinity Church. Functions performed are incorporated in the Rector's report.

REPORT OF REV. J. RICE TAYLOR.

I would respectfully report, that all of my official acts during the year past, have consisted in assisting from time to time in the services at Emmanuel Church, Hastings.

REPORT OF REV. HENRY HUGHES, COLDWATER.

I herewith submit report of services performed by me during the year ending June 1, 1897:

Sunday servics	4
Marriages	4
Burials	1

I have been at home in Coldwater, nearly every Sunday during the year, and attended services in St. Mark's Church.

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REPORT OF THE REV. CYRUS MENDENHALL, CHAPLAIN S. H. C. AND R., IONIA.

During the past year I have delivered sixty sermons and addresses, attended four funerals, and one wedding. Besides the routine work of our department, we hold each Sunday morning a public service attended by all the men who are not excused by the physician. A teachers' meeting at 2 o'clock, and Sunday School at 2:30. Each Friday evening a service is held, attended by about 175 men. There have been about 1,500 cell visits and many visits to the hospital, and private interviews in the office. On Sunday evenings I have assisted Dr. Thomas, the Rector of St. John's in the services, and at other times when opportunity was afforded.

REPORT OF REV. MOSELEY MORRIS, KALAMAZOO.

Continued illness has prevented my discharging any clerical duty.

LAY READERS' REPORTS.

Grand Haven, St. John's, E. Stanton Bliss:—"Since receiving my license, dated November 2, 1896, I have taken part of the Sunday morning service, regularly, under Rev. Dr. Wilkinson, and since January 1, 1897, have conducted the Sunday evening services."

Homer, Grace, N. D. Beedon:—"I have, in the year just ended, read morning service forty-three Sundays, and evening service on Good Friday night. The services have been poorly attended through the winter, but there was a good attendance on Easter Day and at the Parish meeting on Easter Monday. There has been no music or singing for some time, but we have a promise that a Choir will soon be organized."

Battle Creek, St. Thomas,' J. E. Nelson:—"I beg to send you my report as Lay Reader in connection with St. Thomas' Church for the year ending Easter, 1897, On the first two Sundays in September previous to the return of the Rector from Europe, I conducted morning prayer with address in the Chapel. During Lent when the Rector was sick, and also when he was helping other Clergymen, I held daily service with address on seven or eight occasions. I also held two cottage services and in addition I have taken services and assisted on various other occasions."

Elk Rapids, St. Paul's, H. B. Lewis:—"My services as Lay Reader in St. Paul's Parish since Easter Day, 1896, have been as follows: Sundays, morning prayer and sermon, 44; evening prayer and sermon, 1; assisted the Bishop at morning and evening prayer, 1; week day evening services and sermons, 4. The services have all been well attended and the interest manifested maintained beyond the expectation of the Lay Reader."

Marshall, Trinity Church, Ralph S. Garwood:—I present herewith my report as Lay Reader of Trinity Church, Marshall, and ask for renewal of license. The duties that have fallen to me in this position have been to conduct the Sunday School services as Assistant to the Rector and to take part in conducting the regular services as requested. While this does not appear much I am glad to have been able to take even this small part in the services of the Church."

Allegan, C. R. Wilkes:—"As Lay Reader of the Parish of the Good Shepherd, up to Easter, 1897, I assisted the Rector at two services on Sunday, and one at week day services."

Petoskey, St. Q. H. Williams:—" I conducted all the morning services from Easter, 1896, to, and including June 6th. From the time Rev. Mr. Elmer left us in October, I continued the Lay Reading until Rev. J. W. Armstrong, our present Rector, arrived January 3, 1897. Since then I have read the morning lessons for him."

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APPENDIX D.—ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—PROPERTY.—PARISHES.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Property, by whom held.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Rectory.	Other Property.	Insurance Carried.	Indebtedness, Secured.	Indebtedness, Floating.	Reduction of Debt.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	Rector's Salary.	Amount Paid on Rector's Salary.	Whole Number of Sittings.	Number of Sittings Free.	Number of Sittings Rented.
Albion, St. James'	Vestry	$ 5000 00	$	$	$ 3500	$	$ 42 17	$	$	$ 500	$ 250 00	150	150	
Allegan, Good Shepherd	Vestry	5500 00	1500 00		5000					* 900	900 00	250	250	
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	Vestry	24200 00	3000 00	2500 00	12500	500 00				*1800	1800 00	400	400	
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	Vestry	2500 00	1400 00		3150		304 00			* 450	616 00	250	250	
Coldwater, St. Mark's	Vestry	16700 00			8000		450 00			1000	1029 00	400	125	275
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	Associati'n	5000 00			3000							250	250	
Grand Haven, St. John's	Vestry	6000 00	500 00		4300	750 00	17 48	264 74			503 00	250	250	
Grand Rapids St. Mark's	Vestry	65000 00	12000 00		21000	1500 00		1055 00		*3600		1500		
Grand Rapids, Grace	Vestry	30000 00	6000 00		15500	15250 00		1000 00		*1500	750 00	600	600	
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	Vestry	3000 00		800 00	2500		120 00			700	715 00	250	62	188
Grand Rapids, Trinity	Vestry	6000 00			3800		1600 00				573 00	350	350	
Hastings, Emmanuel	Vestry	11000 00			5000		675 00			900	970 00	300	300	
Holland, Grace	Vestry	3500 00			2500		100 00			500	550 00	150	150	
Homer, Christ	Vestry	2000 00			1200							150	150	
Ionia, St. John's	Vestry	10500 00			7500	7086 68	162 96	202 10	196 42	1500	325 00	325		
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	Vestry	58000 00	6000 00	39000 00	40700					*1800	1800 00	700	700	
Ludington, Grace	Vestry	3000 00		1200 00	2000	500 00						150	150	
Manistee, Holy Trinity	Vestry	9000 00	1400 00		2500	4000 00	547 69			* 850	636 00	250	250	
Marshall, Trinity	Vestry	12000 00	3400 00	6993 92	11300					*1000	1000 00	450	450	
Mendon, St. Paul's	Vestry	1000 00								200	170 00	200	200	
Muskegon, St. Paul's	Vestry	60000 00		6000 00	18700	27000 00		391 16		*1150	978 00	750	450	350
Niles, Trinity	Vestry	15000 00	3000 00		8000							500	225	275
Saugatuck, All Saints	Vestry	2000 00			1500							200	200	
Traverse City, Grace	Vestry	1500 00			800		210 76				252 00			
Union City, Grace	Vestry	1800 00					49 39		196 68			200	200	
TOTAL		$ 359000 00	$ 38200 00	$ 56493 92	$183950	$50586 68	$4280 45	$2913 00	$ 393 10					

* And Rectory.

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS—PROPERTY—ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Property, by whom held.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Rectory.	Other Property.	Insurance Carried.	Indebtedness Secured.	Indebtedness Floating.	Reduction of Debt.	Increase and improvement of Church Property.	Rector's Salary.	Amount paid on Rector's Salary.	Whole Number of Sittings.	Number of Sittings Free.	Number of Sittings Rented.
Baldwin's, St. Matthew's	Association	$ 400	$ 200	$ 110			$	$	$	$	$	50	50	
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	Association	3500			$ 1300	$	$	$	$	$ 400	295	200	280	
Central Lake, St. Matthias	Association	800			500	300								
Charlevoix, Christ	Association	1700			1000		149					50	50	
Charlotte, Grace	Trustee	3500			1500		612 05							
Coopersville, Epiphany	Association	200												
East Jordan, Redeemer	Association	1500			500		102 25					100	100	
Grand Rapids, St. John's	Association	4000			2300	2500				75	85	250	250	
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's	St. Mark's	3000			1500	1500						150	150	
Greenville, St. Paul's	Association	1500			1000		76 81			300	225	170	170	
Harbor Springs, St. John's	Association	2500			2000		6 29				55	200	200	
Luther, Christ	Association	150			500		55 48					100	100	
Mancelona, Nativity				105										
Muskegon, St. Luke's	Association	1500			400		18 75	353 12				125	125	
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	Association	2500	1800		2500		60 35			500	180	150	150	
Newaygo, St. Mark's	Association	4000					126 27				77 21	200	200	
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	Association	1400					80 37					150	150	
Pentwater, St. James'	Association	2500	450		1300		72 75	70			58 80	75	75	
Petoskey, Emmanuel	Trustees	6000			3000		152 19			700	496 00	300	300	
Quincy, St. John's	Association	1200					33 09							
Rockford, St. James'	Association	1500			1000							150	150	
St. Joseph, St. Paul's				279 46						120	120			
Tustin, St. John's	Trustee	700		1200										
Three Rivers, Trinity	Association	3000			2000		2 76					275	275	
Whitehall, Redeemer	Association	3000			1000		5 25					125	125	
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	Association	2000								125	101 25	150	150	
Totals		$ 52050	$ 2450	$ 1694 46	$ 23300	$ 4300	$1553 66	$ 423 12				2970		

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—Receipts and Disbursements.—PARISHES.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	PAROCHIAL RECEIPTS.						PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.									
	From Offertory.	Subscriptions, Pew Rents, Envelopes.	Women's Associations.	Sunday School.	Other Sources, Including Balances.	TOTAL.	Communion Alms.	Rector's Salary.	Other Salaries.	Insurance and Interest.	Other Parish Expenses.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	By or for Sunday School.	Paid on Indebtedness.	Balance on hand.	TOTAL.
Albion, St. James'	$185 00	$ 229 20	$ 34 29	$ 9 32	$.....	$ 457 81	$17 64	$ 250 00	$.....	$.....	$142 48	$.....	$ 2 40	$.....	$ 35 26	$ 412 52
Allegan, Good Shepherd	91 31	1125 86	.....	90 43	.....	1307 60	.....	900 00	133 00	.....	17 50	.....	34 72	.....	.....	1085 22
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	463 24	2050 17	509 05	115 00	583 26	3830 72	75 19	1800 00	300 39	63 70	1090 74	.....	62 71	.....	.....	3392 73
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	128 92	461 99	210 07	.....	394 80	1256 78	25 55	616 59	134 75	58 10	324 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	1159 89
Coldwater, St. Mark's	374 10	947 55	.....	.....	.....	1321 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	231 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	1260 65
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	97 73	114 25	43 00	54 36	62 90	393 48	.....	.....	24 00	3 00	15 12	6 00	28 69	225 25	3 70	302 56
Grand Haven, St. John's	314 71	477 25	274 37	35 50	153 32	1255 05	.....	503 00	114 16	65 46	70 93	.....	7 75	264 74	55 81	1026 48
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	1788 27	.....	.....	.....	10687 60	12475 87	449 88	3600 00	2042 80	328 47	.....	1599 32	.....	1055 00	.....	9075 47
Grand Rapids, Grace	582 52	2966 56	355 00	220 00	.....	4118 08	.....	750 00	404 50	1113 79	231 33	.....	190 00	1600 00	236 57	3690 61
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	480 20	50 00	96 00	77 00	427 06	1130 26	.....	715 00	179 00	.....	125 00	.....	101 00	.....	10 26	1130 26
Grand Rapids, Trinity	173 65	380 81	.....	.....	110 20	664 60	.....	573 91	.....	.....	55 46	.....	.....	.....	35 29	629 37
Hastings, Emmanuel	185 05	939 90	327 08	.....	62 19	1514 22	5 58	970 04	185 00	.....	119 22	.....	4 00	.....	.....	1282 84
Holland, Grace	121 88	278 75	145 44	.....	180 73	726 80	7 63	550 00	34 75	35 00	51 54	.....	2 00	.....	19 69	680 92
Homer, Christ	6 96	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 96	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ionia, St. John's	576 25	1196 56	213 77	69 49	576 07	2632 14	14 36	1507 51	145 16	.....	291 61	196 42	40 72	202 10	25 68	2397 88
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	1177 33	4871 57	1348 40	103 90	469 37	7970 57	128 75	1800 00	1354 08	89 50	731 77	.....	61 59	2050 00	196 56	6588 84
Ludington, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manistee, Holy Trinity	353 52	547 00	190 61	30 77	10 69	1132 59	26 46	636 00	.....	249 00	109 55	.....	.....	25 81	4 40	1046 82
Marshall, Trinity	234 34	1318 20	.....	121 53	926 12	3575 19	14 56	1000 00	165 50	.....	208 17	.....	43 14	.....	1113 38	1431 37
Mendon, St. Paul's	25 95	170 00	.....	.....	7 58	203 55	9 02	170 00	.....	.....	6 84	.....	.....	.....	.....	185 86
Muskegon, St. Paul's	469 00	1195 83	373 00	57 89	311 83	2407 61	32 30	978 30	361 23	91 00	209 48	.....	47 95	391 16	93 42	2111 42
Niles, Trinity	418 95	727 46	816 85	77 56	51 31	2093 13	13 10	1085 30	271 14	34 00	278 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1618 54
Saugatuck, All Saints	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Traverse City, Grace	278 09	58 50	.....	.....	37 00	315 09	.....	251 91	18 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	243 00
Union City, Grace	30 54	181 00	.....	.....	22 68	234 22	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	196 68	.....	.....	.....	200 68
TOTAL	8157 57	20288 41	4936 83	1061 55	15074 71	51023 97	820 02	18657 56	5867 46	2138 02	4314 77	1998 32	626 67	5214 06	1830 02	40953 82

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—Receipts and Disbursements.—MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	PAROCHIAL RECEIPTS. From Offertory.	Subscrip'ns Pew Rents, Envelopes.	Women's Associa'ns.	Sunday School.	Other sources, including Balances.	TOTAL.	PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS. Commun'n Alms.	Rector's Salary.	Other Salaries.	Insurance and Int'r'st	Other Parish Expen's	Increase & Impr'vem't of Church Property.	By or for the Sunday School.	Paid on Inde'tedn's	Balance on Hand.	TOTAL.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 10 53	$ 10 53	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....
Bent'n H'r,H'lyTrinity	153 08	228 22	6 00	17 39	151 95	526 64	9 86	295 00	49 00	.....	9 20	1 93	9 83	.....	78 72	374 82
Cassopolis, St. James'	2 01	.....	36 75	.....	43	39 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 31	.....	.....	.....	04	36 31
C'tr'lL'ke,St.Matthias'	29 40	.....	15 00	.....	.....	44 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	44 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	44 40
Charlevoix, Christ.....	64 30	.....	172 43	31 03	13 00	280 76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	196 77	31 20	.....	.....	229 25
Charlotte, Grace.....	55 65	.....	30 00	.....	23 24	108 89	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00
Coopersv'le, Epiphany	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dowagiac, St. Alban's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Jordan, Redeemer	9 36	.....	15 76	8 00	14 67	35 79	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 80	.....	8 00	25 12	3 87	35 92
Grd Rapids, St. John's.	98 00	.....	212 00	76 00	.....	386 00	.....	85 00	.....	132 00	7 00	.....	70 00	50 00	42 00	344 00
Grd Rds. St. Matthew's	45 00	.....	85 00	.....	.....	130 00	.....	25 00	.....	75 00	6 16	10 00	.....	.....	.....	116 16
Grd Rapids, St. Beda's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenville, St. Paul's.	88 34	210 00	16 00	24 49	60 10	398 93	.....	225 00	36 83	28 00	43 96	.....	36 97	6 50	1 45	367 26
H'rb'r Spr'gs, St John's	133 30	.....	.....	.....	100 00	233 30	.....	55 00	.....	.....	24 50	120 96	.....	.....	.....	200 46
Hart, St. Andrew's....	7 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 99	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 99
Luther, Christ.....	20 87	30 00	.....	.....	100 00	150 87	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	130 00	.....	.....	.....	140 00
Mancelona, Nativity...	50 00	.....	110 00	10 00	5 10	175 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	55 00	2 00	.....	50 83	77 00
Muskegon, St. Luke's.	10 66	59 03	67 00	25 98	291 63	453 30	.....	.....	28 00	3 00	14 15	8 80	28 92	353 12	4 73	435 99
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	64 40	180 00	158 11	22 96	425 35	850 82	.....	180 00	78 68	.....	200 00	143 80	22 96	182 99	.....	808 46
Newaygo, St. Mark's..	26 00	.....	40 00	45 21	16 66	127 87	.....	77 21	.....	.....	23 24	.....	23 00	.....	.....	123 45
Paw Paw, St. Mark's..	9 47	45 00	56 23	.....	.....	110 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 00	84 23	.....	.....	.....	101 25
Pentwater, St. James'	90 78	.....	85 00	.....	34 87	210 65	.....	58 80	.....	27 96	12 53	.....	4 05	70 00	20 00	173 34
Petoskey, Emmanuel..	166 64	636 85	116 26	71 76	115 58	1107 09	.....	496 00	119 50	36 00	141 35	37 05	61 76	91 95	54 51	1133 61
Quincy, St. John's.....	5 54	3 00	83 27	12 85	.....	104 66	.....	.....	.....	2 63	5 85	90 66	.....	.....	.....	99 12
Rockford, St. James'..	14 49	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 49	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00
Sturgis, St. James'....	33 89	179 88	133 97	.....	122 09	468 83	9 95	318 50	1 57	.....	120 64	.....	.....	.....	80	450 66
St. Joseph, St. Paul's..	242 10	.....	242 74	.....	.....	489 47	.....	120 00	.....	.....	65 39	.....	.....	.....	279 46	185 39
Tustin, St. John's.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity..	61 18	.....	77 15	.....	35 39	173 72	.....	11 88	.....	30 00	32 77	16 87	.....	.....	53 02	91 52
Whitehall, Redeemer..	5 23	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 23	.....	2 17	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 47
TOTAL.....	1488 73	1571 98	1758 67	345 67	1520 59	6665 81	19 81	1949 56	313 58	344 59	845 54	893 07	298 69	779 68	589 43	5608 83
Unorganized Missions																
Clare.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Ledge.....	4 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Schoolc'ft,St.Stephen's	23 00	101 25	28 78	.....	503 00	625 03	.....	101 25	9 00	.....	27 37	.....	.....	.....	501 05	137 62
TOTAL.....	31 25	101 25	28 78	.....	503 00	633 28	.....	101 25	9 00	.....	27 37	.....	.....	.....	501 05	137 62

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.—Within the Diocese.—PARISHES.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Diocesan Missions.	Convention Assessment.	Christmas Fund.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Aid to Candidates for Holy Orders.	Woman's Auxiliary Aid in the Diocese.	Sunday School Aid in the Diocese.	For Akeley Institute.	Deaf Mute Fund.	Diocesan Church Building Fund.	Other Objects.	TOTAL.
Albion, St. James'	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 2 61	$.....	$ 1 10	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 3 71
Allegan, Good Shepherd	35 00	66 90	10 00	10 26	.....	.....	.....	3 25	4 25	.....	.....	129 66
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	122 69	193 98	13 41	8 36	.....	10 00	.....	10 00	4 20	.....	.....	362 70
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	9 92	63 25	.....	2 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 32	88 15
Coldwater, St. Mark's	80 00	66 52	2 75	7 22	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	158 59
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	15 00	30 65	4 10	5 81	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61 56
Grand Haven, St. John's	40 00	56 08	5 50	8 05	.....	.....	.....	4 25	.....	.....	.....	113 88
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	525 00	255 19	115 00	25 84	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2337 77	3258 80
Grand Rapids, Grace	25 00	153 30	5 60	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	190 90
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	45 00	68 65	10 00	8 32	.....	23 75	.....	10 56	.....	5 00	.....	171 28
Holland, Grace	12 51	20 56	2 29	5 39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 75
Homer, Christ	5 71	.....	.....	1 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 96
Ionia, St. John's	33 71	102 04	5 73	16 64	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	155 12
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	200 00	275 04	32 65	30 08	.....	7 40	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	555 17
Ludington, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manistee, Holy Trinity	.....	66 72	5 91	5 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	78 03
Marshall, Trinity	129 85	82 19	11 21	8 02	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	10 00	266 27
Mendon, St. Paul's	.....	11 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 19	17 69
Muskegon, St. Paul's	50 00	121 78	4 58	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 93	.....	.....	186 29
Niles, Trinity	127 56	192 48	.....	7 06	.....	.....	.....	5 75	.....	.....	.....	347 70
Saugatuck, All Saints'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	2 50
Traverse City, Grace	3 00	5 00	2 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	14 10
Union City, Grace	20 05	.....	.....	1 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 85
TOTAL	$ 1486 00	$ 1837 83	$ 230 83	$ 169 06	$.....	$ 48 25	$.....	$75 31	$ 13 44	$ 5 00	$2359 28	$ 6237 62

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.—Within the Diocese.—ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Diocesan Missions.	Convention Assessment.	Christmas Fund.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Aid to Candidates for Holy Orders.	Woman's Auxiliary Aid in Diocese.	Sunday School Aid in Diocese.	For Akeley Institute.	Deaf Mute Fund.	Diocesan Church Building Fund.	Other Objects.	TOTAL
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	10 00	32 12	3 50	7 22	6 00							58 82
Cassopolis, St. James'	1 38			1 46								2 84
Central Lake, St. Matthias'												
Charlevoix, Christ	21 36	3 58		3 00				6 00	3 62			37 56
Charlotte, Grace	65 23		1 52	7 42								74 17
Coopersville, Epiphany												
Dowagiac, St. Alban's												
East Jordan, Redeemer												
Grand Rapids, St. John's												
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's	5 00	3 84										8 84
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's												
Greenville, St. Paul's		5 00	3 25	6 17				1 50				15 92
Harbor Springs, St. John's	26 77											26 77
Hart, St. Andrew's	3 15											3 15
Luther, Christ	9 52											9 52
Mancelona, Nativity	30 00	2 08	1 35									33 43
Muskegon, St. Luke's		5 50		1 00								6 50
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	3 00	28 38		3 73								35 11
Newaygo, St. Mark's				1 00							2 21	3 21
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	8 32		1 15									9 47
Pentwater, St. James'		6 93	1 00	2 00				1 25				11 18
Petoskey, Emmanuel	6 42			2 55								8 97
Quincy, St. John's	5 54											5 54
Rockford, St. James'	6 45	72		2 02								9 19
Sturgis, St. James'		17 37										17 37
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	10 00		4 41	10 21								24 62
Tustin, St. John's	1 50											1 50
Three Rivers, Trinity	16 00	11 07	2 11									29 18
Whitehall, Redeemer		2 76										2 76
TOTAL	$ 229 64	$ 119 35	$ 18 29	$ 47 78	$ 6 00			$ 8 75	3 62		$ 2 21	$ 435 62
Unorganized Missions.												
Grand Ledge	1 45											$ 1 45
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	2 50		2 06	1 50								6 06
TOTAL	$ 3 95	$	$ 2 06	$ 1 50								$ 7 51

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PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE—PARISHES.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Colored Missions.	Indian Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Bible and Prayer Book Society.	American Church Building Fund.	General Clergy Relief.	By Sunday School.	By Women's Societies.	Other Objects.	Total Outside Diocese.	GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL PURPOSES.
Albion, St. James'	$ 3 16	$ 3 16	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 4 53	$	$ 6 32	$ 422 55
Allegan, Good Shepherd	28 30	34 23	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	48 22	.....	.....	64 92	1279 80
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	42 65	32 64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 29	.....	.....	75 29	3839 72
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	1258 44
Coldwater, St. Mark's	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 00	1432 24
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	12 05	10 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 28	20 67	.....	.....	25 66	389 78
Grand Haven, St. John's	11 03	11 44	.....	.....	2 35	.....	1 25	.....	.....	24 25	8 60	58 88	1199 24
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	50 00	50 00	.....	.....	15 00	16 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	141 60	12475 87
Grand Rapids, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3881 08
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1120 00
Grand Rapids. Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	629 37
Hastings, Emmanuel	10 00	9 58	.....	2 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	34 52	.....	59 10	1514 22
Holland, Grace	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	11 00	732 67
Homer, Christ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 96
Ionia, St. John's	12 92	18 91	10 00	8 00	3 63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	53 46	2606 46
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	45 16	67 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42 31	155 00	.....	267 81	7411 82
Ludington, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manistee, Holy Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 34	1128 19
Marshall, Trinity	78 13	78 12	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	7 02	83 65	.....	.....	164 27	2461 91
Mendon, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	208 55
Muskegon, St. Paul's	9 18	4 96	.....	.....	2 34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 48	2314 19
Niles, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 55	.....	16 55	2045 79
Saugatuck, All Saints	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 50
Traverse City, Grace	8 00	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	21 00	315 09
Union City, Grace	2 85	2 84	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 69	234 22
Total	$ 328 43	$348 86	$ 10 00	$ 10 00	$36 16	$16 60	$1 25	$10 30	$220 14	$239 85	$ 19 60	$ 1014 37	$ 48916 67

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.—Outside the Diocese.—MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Colored Missions.	Indian Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Bible & Prayer Book Society.	Amer. Church Building Fund	General Clergy Relief.	By Sunday School.	By Women's Societies.	Other Objects.	Total Outside Diocese.	Grand Total for all Purposes.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ .....
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	7 23	7 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 81	.....	.....	14 28	447 92
Cassopolis, St. James'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 15
Central Lake, St. Matthias'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44 40
Charlevoix, Christ	6 97	6 98	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 95	280 76
Charlotte, Grace	4 01	71	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 72	108 89
Coopersville, Epiphany	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Jordan, Redeemer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 92
Grand Rapids, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	344 00
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	130 00
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenville, St. Paul's	7 50	5 22	90	87	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 48	397 66
Harbor Springs, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 07	.....	6 07	233 30
Hart, St. Andrew's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 14
Luther, Christ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 35	150 87
Mancelona, Nativity	3 60	3 59	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	5 10	.....	13 84	124 27
Muskegon, St. Luke's	3 04	3 04	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 08	448 57
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	3 63	3 62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 25	856 82
Newaygo, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 21	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 21	127 87
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	110 70
Pentwater, St. James'	3 07	3 06	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 13	190 65
Petoskey, Emmanuel	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	1052 58
Quincy, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	104 66
Rockford, St. James'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 30	14 49
Sturgis, St. James'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	468 03
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	210 01
Tustin, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	120 70
Whitehall, Redeemer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 26
TOTAL	$ 46 05	$ 40 27	$ 90	$ 87	.....	$ 1 00	$ 5 36	.....	$ 5 81	$ 11 17	.....	$ 105 66	$ 6048 62
Unorganized Missions.													
Grand Ledge	$ 1 40	$ 1 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 2 80	$ 4 25
Clare	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	3 15	3 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	7 30	150 98
TOTAL	$ 4 55	$ 4 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	$ 10 10	$ 159 23

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—MEMBERSHIP.—PARISHES.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Families.	Adults.	Children.	Total.	Whole Number Baptized.	Baptisms			Confirmed During the Year.	Whole Number Confirmed in Parish.	COMMUNICANTS.					Celebrations, Public.	Celebrations, Private	Public Services.			Marriages.	Burials.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.						Average Attendance.	Number Books in Library.
						Infants.	Adults.	Total.			Last Report.	Added.	Lost.	Male.	Female.	Total.		Sundays.	Holy Days.	Week Days.	Total.			Teachers			Scholars.				
																							Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.		
Albion, St. James'	36	106	22	128	120	...	6	6	14	75	90	14	29	...	...	75	35	1	105	7	24	136	...	4	4	2	6	17	6	23	....	.....
Allegan, Good Shepherd	72	180	50	230	190	6	6	12	8	146	130	20	2	43	103	146	15	....	97	7	65	169	4	6	4	9	13	36	50	86	60	300
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	195	480	260	740	620	21	29	50	35	330	281	53	5	88	241	329	66	25	142	79	45	266	8	9	3	12	15	80	90	170	100	165
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	24	130	75	205	*150	5	...	5	....	† 60	70	...	10	9	51	60	77	1	99	38	49	186	2	4	1	6	7	17	27	44	.....	.....
Coldwater, St. Mark's	110	.....	....	*330	*200	5	2	7	8	160	152	8	1	47	112	159	62	1	138	24	126	288	4	7	3	9	12	..	..	70	52	345
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	37	107	46	153	123	1	...	1	8	69	63	4	10	17	40	57	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	3	4	7	22	27	49	35	.....
Grand Haven, St. John's	51	152	61	213	203	3	...	3	....	131	127	1	1	44	83	127	77	1	145	34	56	235	1	7	1	5	6	20	31	51	43	100
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	459	750	400	1150	1100	37	10	47	38	1000	735	...	82	....	....	653	84	4	149	33	109	291	17	38	..	..	12	..	..	140	115	.....
Grand Rapids, Grace	160	....	....	*480	*350	10	5	15	8	†213	317	8	112	72	141	213	85	....	90	26	120	236	6	10	7	17	24	85	125	210	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	122	206	95	301	265	7	12	19	17	166	123	22	6	32	105	137	20	2	87	17	24	128	2	3	2	12	14	33	70	103	....	300
Grand Rapids, Trinity	142	217	42	259	*200	12	3	15	....	254	245	9	...	100	154	254	18	3	123	10	14	157	21	18	1	8	9	57	63	120	93	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	102	175	106	281	*250	15	9	24	13	†130	124	14	8	27	103	130	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	9	3	1	11	12	36	62	98	.....	.....
Holland, Grace	40	45	55	100	* 75	6	5	11	11	† 51	42	10	3	16	35	51	15	....	92	5	12	109	3	...	3	6	9	16	24	40	.....	.....
Homer, Christ	‡ 28	55	20	75	70	....	....	....	....	† 56	....	....	....	....	....	56	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Ionia, St. John's	114	216	95	311	230	6	8	14	8	189	177	14	...	57	132	189	19	....	148	11	64	223	7	6	7	13	20	46	72	118	.....	.....
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	‡250	....	....	*600	*600	13	4	17	15	†420	405	21	6	87	333	420	70	13	163	32	81	276	15	27	3	12	15	50	80	130	100	.....
Ludington, Grace	‡ 53	78	39	117	* 75	....	....	....	....	† 68	....	....	10	58	68	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Manistee, Holy Trinity	95	210	218	428	400	....	....	....	16	†199	180	36	17	67	132	199	100	1	150	49	96	291	10	18	4	5	9	45	62	107	65	50
Marshall, Trinity	101	....	....	*303	*300	4	1	5	19	†170	164	21	15	...	...	170	32	2	118	6	60	184	8	10	4	9	13	35	65	100	.....	.....
Mendon, St. Paul's	31	73	20	93	54	1	...	1	4	33	25	05	...	7	23	30	13	....	42	5	19	66	1	...	1	4	5	5	10	15	10	.....
Muskegon, St. Paul's	129	324	197	521	388	7	2	9	14	235	202	35	41	56	140	196	82	4	145	23	45	203	6	7	2	8	10	43	80	123	78	.....
Niles, Trinity	144	270	135	405	*350	23	8	31	15	256	255	15	14	...	...	256	68	11	146	18	85	249	4	18	3	10	13	48	90	138	100	200
Saugatuck, All Saints'	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	† 25	25	....	....	4	21	25	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Traverse City, Grace	41	102	23	125	*100	4	5	9	1	59	40	4	3	6	35	41	20	1	138	19	26	183	....	....	1	2	3	6	9	15	10	200
Union City, Grace	10	....	....	29	25	....	....	....	....	22	19	2	2	3	16	19	5	4	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....
TOTAL	2548	....	....	7577	6438	186	115	301	252	4517	....	316	377	...	...	4060	969	74	....	....	...	3880	128	196	..	..	234	..	..	1950	....	.....

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—MEMBERSHIP.—ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Families.	Adults.	Children.	Total.	Baptisms: Whole Number Baptized.	Baptisms: Infants.	Baptisms: Adults.	Baptisms: Total.	Confirmed During the Year.	Communicants: Whole Number Confirmed.	Communicants: Last Report.	Communicants: Added.	Communicants: Lost.	Communicants: Male.	Communicants: Female.	Communicants: Total.	Celebrations—Public.	Celebrations—Private.	Public Services: Sundays.	Public Services: Holy Days.	Public Services: Week Days.	Public Services: Total.	Marriages.	Burials.	Sunday School: Teachers: Male.	Sunday School: Teachers: Female.	Sunday School: Teachers: Total.	Sunday School: Scholars: Male.	Sunday School: Scholars: Female.	Sunday School: Scholars: Total.	Aver. Attendance.	Number Books in Library.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	6	14	12	26	20	..	..	..	..	8	7	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	52	114	48	162	135	2	3	5	15	92	61	15	6	21	59	80	16	3	102	10	46	158	..	1	1	4	5	14	22	36	..	200
Cassopolis, St. James'	16	27	17	44	37	3	..	3	2	19	15	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	1	..	5	4	..	1	2	6	8	6	11	17	..	..
Central Lake, St. Matthias	..	..	..	80*	20	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Charlevoix, Christ	21	53	51	84*	75	..	..	..	..	39	37	..	..	8	31	39	3	..	10	..	..	10	..	1	2	3	5	17	33	50	35	..
Charlotte, Grace	40	90	36	126	*100	2	..	2	..	† 56	68	1	13	13	43	56	8	..	20	7	..	27	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coopersville, Epiphany	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	‡	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	..	..	..	..	* 24	2	8	10	6	22	..	..	..	4	18	22	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Jordan, Redeemer	11	20	16	36	* 30	..	..	..	..	18	24	..	..	6	12	18	4	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Grand Rapids, St. John's	30	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	4	† 33	27	6	..	14	19	33	15	..	100	..	10	110	..	1	3	6	9	..	..	98	70	..
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's	37	..	..	110	* 80	5	..	5	1	30	30	4	4	..	..	30	4	..	..	..	..	80	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	60	..	..
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	‡	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenville, St. Paul's	33	76	34	110	90	1	..	1	..	60	50	6	5	12	39	51	12	1	44	3	..	47	..	..	3	1	4	14	16	30	..	200
Harbor Springs, St. John's	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	† 5	..	..	..	1	4	‡ 5	3	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hart, St. Andrew's	12	25	10	35	20	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	4	4	8	..	2	3	..	5	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Luther, Christ	18	25	15	40	35	8	2	10	7	25	20	7	4	7	16	23	6	..	13	..	22	35	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	20	10	..
Mancelona, Nativity	16	30	12	42	30	..	1	1	2	12	14	2	6	3	7	10	5	..	10	..	4	14	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	20	15	..
Muskegon, St. Luke's	24	57	71	128	94	3	..	3	..	38	34	3	2	9	26	35	14	2	63	4	54	121	1	..	3	6	9	57	42	79	60	..
Mt. Pleasant, St. Luke's	45	80	60	140	130	8	5	13	7	74	57	6	8	5	65	70	20	..	106	30	30	166	..	..	2	5	7	15	25	40	25	..
Newaygo, St. Mark's	28	40	30	70	60	3	..	3	..	40	40	..	7	7	28	35	7	..	21	..	7	35	..	..	2	5	7	..	..	50	30	..
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	15	..	..	36	22	1	..	1	..	19	14	..	..	..	14	14	6	..	12	..	1	13	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pentwater, St. James'	44	45	35	80	70	13	2	15	4	50	45	5	5	8	37	45	17	..	28	..	19	47	..	..	2	4	6	..	..	60	40	..
Petoskey, Emmanuel	‡ 54	114	68	182	163	7	..	7	..	† 80	85	..	..	..	..	80	32	1	109	2	39	150	..	2	4	9	13	..	..	50	40	200
Quincy, St. John's	21	36	40	76	* 60	2	..	2	..	16	22	..	6	..	16	16	5	1	10	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rockford, St. James'	10	20	10	30	25	1	1	2	3	16	14	3	2	3	12	15	7	..	18	1	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sturgis, St. James'	52	124	42	166	109	2	2	4	6	57	35	12	..	16	31	47	18	1	55	4	36	95	1	1	3	5	8	10	25	35	25	..
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	27	50	16	72	65	2	5	7	8	47	..	..	..	17	26	43	2	..	50	..	2	52	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tustin, St. John's	12	20	10	30	30	3	..	3	..	† 10	10	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	1	..	4	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Three Rivers, Trinity	25	51	14	65	53	..	..	..	2	34	22	5	3	6	18	24	..	..	66	5	..	71	..	1	3	4	7	8	11	19	15	110
Whitehall, Redeemer	15	20	16	30	25	1	..	1	..	20	20	..	..	..	..	20	2	..	5	..	4	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	654	....	....	1930	1602	70	29	99	67	932	....	75	71	....	....	897	....	....	857	66	293	1216	3	8	....	....	8	....	....	694	..	....

* Estimated. † The same as Number of Communicants. ‡ Last Year's Report.

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS—UNORGANIZED MISSIONS—MEMBERSHIP.

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.	Families.	Adults.	Children.	Total.	Whole Number Baptized.	Baptisms			Confirmed During the Year.	Whole Number Confirmed.	COMMUNICANTS.						Celebrations, Public.	Celebrations, Private.	Public Services.				Marriages.	Burials.	Sunday School.						Aver. Attendance.	No. Books in Library.
						Infants.	Adults.	Total.			Last Report.	Added.	Lost.	Male.	Female.	Total.			Sundays.	Holy Days.	Week Days.	Total.			Teachers.			Scholars.				
																									Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.		
Clare	10	20	10	30	15	4	...	4	1	15	...	4	...	...	4	4	1	...	...	...	20	20	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grand Ledge	8	19	5	24	20	...	1	1	...	13	8	...	...	...	8	8	...	2	3	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Reed City	7	14	6	20	15	1	...	1	...	10	7	...	...	...	7	7	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	16	41	3	44	40	...	3	3	5	30	20	6	2	2	22	24	20	1	49	9	...	58	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lyons	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stanton, Grace	5	11	7	18	17	...	...	...	...	9	9	...	...	1	8	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Portland	9	...	...	24	24	...	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	3	10	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Luke's, Grand Rapids	25	60	30	90	...	...	...	...	...	22	...	...	...	...	...	27	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	5	6	11	13	24	...	...
Unorganized Missions	80	...	...	250	131	5	4	35	14	123	...	10	2	...	...	92	21	3	54	9	21	125	3	...	1	5	6	11	13	24	...	...
Organized Missions	654	...	...	1930	1602	70	29	99	67	932	...	75	71	...	...	877	...	...	857	66	293	1216	3	8	...	...	100	...	...	694	...	...
Parishes	2548	...	...	7577	6438	186	115	301	252	4517	...	316	377	...	...	4060	969	74	...	...	...	3880	128	196	...	...	234	...	...	1950	...	...
Grand Total	3382	...	...	9757	8171	261	148	435	333	5572	...	401	450	...	...	5029	...	...	...	...	...	5221	134	204	...	...	340	...	...	2664	...	...

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1897.

CLERGY—			
Bishop		1	
Priests		33	
Deacons		1	
Officiating in the Diocese, Priests		2	
			37
Ordinations to the Priesthood			1
Candidates for Holy Orders, Priests, 1; Deacons, 1			2
Postulants			2
Lay Readers Licensed			12
Number of Church Buildings			49
Missions Organized			2
Number of Parishes			25
Organized Missions			30
Unorganized Missions			9
BAPTISMS—			
Infants		261	
Adults		148	
Undesignated		26	
			435
Confirmations			333
Marriages			134
Burials			204
No. Families Reported			3282
No. of Souls reported			9757
No. of Baptized Persons reported			8171
Sunday School Teachers and Officers reported			340
Sunday School Scholars reported			2664
Whole number of Confirmed reported			5572
Communicants reported			5029
VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY—			
Churches and Chapels	$411,050 00		
Rectories	40,650 00		
Other Property	58,187 00		
Total Property		$509,887 00	
Total Insurance carried		207,250 00	
Total Indebtedness		56,844 00	
SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—			
Communion Alms	$ 839 83		
Salaries and Current Expenses including Insurance and interest	34,588 81		
Increase of Church Property	2,891 39		
Reduction of Indebtedness	5,993 74		
For Sunday Schools	935 36		
Balance in hands of Treasurers	2,920 50		
Total		$48,168 63	

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FOR DIOCESAN OBJECTS—			
Diocesan Missions	$ 1,719 59		
Diocesan Assessment	1,957 19		
Aged and Infirm Clergy	251 18		
Bishop's Trust Fund	218 34		
By Woman's Auxiliary	48 25		
Deaf Mute Fund	17 06		
Akeley Institute	84 06		
Other Objects in the Diocese	2,361 49		
Total		$	6,657 15
FOR OBJECTS EXTERIOR TO THE DIOCESE—			
Domestic Missions	$ 379 03		
Foreign Missions	393 68		
Missions to Colored People	10 90		
Indian Missions	10 87		
Jewish Missions	36 16		
Bible and Prayer Book Society	17 60		
American Church Building Fund	6 51		
*By Women's Societies	251 02		
*By Sunday Schools	225 95		
Other Objects	19 60		
Total		$	885 65
Total for all purposes, including balances.		$55,711	43

*Not included in total.

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ASSESSMENT FOR 1897.

Parishes and Missions in the Diocese of Western Michigan.

Estimate of amount to be Assessed upon Parishes to meet the expenses of Convention year 1897–8 as follows:

For Episcopal Fund	$1,150 00
" Insurance and Tax Funds	100 00
" Printing Journal and Constitution	225 00
" For Salary of Secretary	100 00
" For Incidental Expenses	50 00
Total amount to be raised by Assessment	$1,625 00

Rate of Assessment 5 per cent.

Place.	Name of Parish.	Am't Rept'd	Am'nt of Assess'nt.
Albion	St. James'	$ 376 66	$ 18 83
Allegan	Good Shepherd	1,050 50	52 53
Battle Creek	St. Thomas'	3,254 83	162 74
Big Rapids	St. Andrew's	868 03	43 40
Coldwater	St. Mark's	1,260 65	63 03
Elk Rapids	St. Paul's	39 62	1 98
Grand Haven	St. John's	688 53	34 42
Grand Rapids	St. Mark's	6,550 27	327 51
Grand Rapids	Grace	1,385 83	69 29
Grand Rapids	St. Paul's	1,019 00	50 95
Grand Rapids	Trinity	1,150 00	57 50
Hastings	Emmanuel	1,274 06	63 70
Holland	Grace	671 29	33 56
Ionia	St. John's	1,931 20	96 56
Kalamazoo	St. Luke's	3,975 35	198 76
Manistee	Holy Trinity	770 25	38 51
Marshall	Trinity	1,341 27	67 06
Mendon	St. Paul's	176 84	8 84
Muskegon	St. Paul's	1,640 01	82 00
Niles	Trinity	1,668 44	83 42
Traverse City	Grace	279 91	13 99
Union City	Grace	200 68	10 03
Benton Harbor	Holy Trinity	353 20	17 66
Cassopolis	St. James'	36 31	1 82
Charlotte	Grace	30 00	1 50
Grand Rapids	St. John's	92 00	4 60
Greenville	St. Paul's	332 79	16 64
Harbor Springs	St. John's	200 46	10 02
Muskegon	St. Luke's	53 95	2 69
Mt. Pleasant	St. John's	458 68	22 93
Newaygo	St. Mark's	100 45	5 02
Paw Paw	St. Mark's	62 00	3 10
Pentwater	St. James'	99 29	4 96
Petoskey	Emmanuel	786 85	39 34
Quincy	St. John's	18 92	94
Sturgis	St. James'	440 71	22 03
St. Joseph	St. Paul's	185 34	9 26
Three Rivers	Trinity	91 52	4 57
	Total	$34,915 69	$1,745 69

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A Calendar for the Conventional Year.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

It shall be the duty of the minister of every Parish, Mission and Congregation in the Diocese to make a collection for Diocesan missions once a month, or by stated pledge from the members of the Parish or Congregation, and remit the proceeds to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions of the Diocese quarterly. Canon XVII, Sec. 13.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity—Discourse on cruelty to Animals, (Epistle.)
Sunday before July 4,—Some National topic.
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity—Offering for Deaf Mute Missions, (Gospel.)
Sunday after September Ember Days—Offering for the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.
September—The Convocations meet.
October—Prison Sunday as appointed.
November—Second Sunday, Offering for American Church Building Fund Commission. The Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference.
Thanksgiving Day—The suggestion of a sermon on Civil Service Reform has the endorsement of a number of Bishops.
The Eve of St. Andrew's Day—Intercession for Missions.
Advent Sunday—Offering for Domestic Missions.
Christmas Day—Offerings for Diocesan Fund for the Disabled Clergy, etc. Canon XII Sec. 1.
Second Sunday after the Epiphany—Offerings for Foreign Missions.
First Sunday after the Epiphany—Schools and Colleges.
Sundays after Epiphany—Offerings in Sunday Schools for Church building in the Diocese.
Wednesday before Quinquagesima Sunday—The Quiet Day for the Clergy.
Good Friday—Offering for Jewish Missions.
The week after the first Sunday after Easter—The Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference.
Fourth Sunday after Easter—Offerings for Indian Missions and Missions for Colored People.
Whitsunday—Offerings for Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies.

Changes Since Convention.

The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall, Deacon, was ordered Priest, July 4.

Examining Chaplains appointed: For the first examination, the Rev. A. H. Locke. For the fourth examination, the Rev. C. D. Atwell.

The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, D. D.. D. C. L., having removed from the Diocese, his name is dropped from the list of the Deputies to the General Convention.

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Diocese of Western Michigan.

ARTICLE I.

THE BOUNDS OF THE DIOCESE.

The Diocese of Western Michigan has jurisdiction over that part of the State of Michigan which embraces the Counties of Berrien, Cass, St. Joseph, Branch, Van Buren, Kalamazoo, Calhoun, Allegan, Barry, Eaton, Ottawa, Kent, Ionia, Muskegon, Montcalm, Oceana, Newaygo, Mecosta, Isabella, Mason, Lake, Osceola, Clare, Manistee, Wexford, Missaukee, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanaw, Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet.

ARTICLE II.

ACCEDING TO THE GENERAL CONSTITUTION.

This Diocese, being a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to the Constitution and Canons of that Church, and acknowledges its authority.

ARTICLE III.

OF THE CONVENTION.

The Diocese of Western Michigan intrusts its legislation to a Convention composed as follows:

SEC. 1. The Bishop and each Clergyman canonically and actually resident and having Pastoral charge, or engaged in work consistent with his office, within the Diocese, for three months next preceding the meeting of the Convention; but a Clergyman otherwise competent shall not be excluded who, by reason of age or sickness, is unemployed.

SEC. 2. Lay delegates, who shall be male communicants and chosen as prescribed by the Canons. Each incorporated Church in union with the Convention shall be entitled to three Lay delegates, and each Mission Church in such union shall be entitled to one Lay delegate.

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Provided: That a Church which shall be in arrears for any assessment due from it to the treasury of the Diocese, shall not be entitled to Lay representation; Provided, however, the Convention may, for good cause shown, by a three-fourths vote, remit or postpone the payment of any assessment.

ARTICLE IV.

ADMISSION OF CHURCHES INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. Churches, which may be admitted into union with the Convention, shall be Churches incorporated under the statute of the State of Michigan as Protestant Episcopal Churches, and shall be known as incorporated Churches or Parishes; and also Mission Churches, which shall be organized as prescribed by the Canons of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. A Church complying with such conditions as are required by the Canons of the Diocese, may be admitted into union with the Convention.

ARTICLE V.

MEETING OF CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. The Annual Convention shall meet on the first Wednesday in June at such hour and place as the previous Convention shall determine; but, when circumstances shall render it necessary, the Bishop may change the time and place of meeting; Provided that fifteen days' notice of such change be given.

SEC. 2. The Bishop shall have power to call special Conventions, giving not less than thirty days' notice thereof; and he shall do so when requested by a vote of three-fourths of the Standing Committee.

When there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention, giving not less than forty days' notice thereof. Such notices shall specify the purpose for which the convention is called, and no other business shall be transacted at the meeting than that stated in the notice.

ARTICLE VI.

OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION.

The Bishop shall preside at all meetings of the Convention, and, in case of a tie, shall give the casting vote. If the Episcopate be vacant, or the Bishop be absent or unable to act, the members shall elect by ballot a President pro tempore, from among the Clergy, unless the ballot be dispensed with by an unanimous vote.

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ARTICLE VII.

OF OFFICERS.

The Convention shall elect annually by ballot a Standing Committee to consist of four Clergymen and three Laymen, communicants, and also a Secretary, Treasurer and Registrar. A Chancellor shall be nominated annually by the Bishop and confirmed by the Convention. And there shall also be elected annually such other Boards, Committees, Trustees and other officers as shall be prescribed by the Canon, resolutions or other action of the Convention. The powers and duties of the Standing Committee, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar and Chancellor, and all other Boards, Committees and Officers shall be such as prescribed by the Canons, and they shall be entitled, ex-officio, to seats in the Convention, without the right to vote.

ARTICLE VIII.

TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.

SEC. 1. A majority of the Clergymen of the Diocese entitled to seats, and the Lay delegates present, duly assembled in Convention shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except that a smaller number may adjourn from time to time.

SEC. 2. The Clerical and Lay Members shall deliberate in one body, and a majority of the aggregate votes shall decide, except in the cases provided for in Articles III, VI, IX and X. On a call of any five members entitled to vote, the two orders shall vote separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each Order shall be necessary to a decision.

ARTICLE IX.

OF THE ELECTION OF A BISHOP.

SEC. 1. When a Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor is to be elected, the election shall be at the regular annual Convention, or at a special Convention duly called for that purpose, and such election shall require a majority of the votes of each Order voting separately.

SEC. 2. When a Bishop is to be elected, a motion to go into the Committee of the Whole shall be a privileged motion after the first ballot, and shall be carried by one-third of the votes of each order.

ARTICLE X.

OF ALTERING THE CONSTITUTION.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: Propositions for alterations shall be submitted in writing, and considered in an Annual Convention, and if approved by a

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majority of each Order, shall lie over to the next Annual Convention; and, if then approved by a majority of each order, with the concurrence of the Bishop, the Constitution shall stand altered as proposed.

CANONS.

CANON I.

MEMBERS OF CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. On the first day of each Convention, regular or special, the Eccelsiastical Authority shall present to the Convention a List of the Clergy canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Churches, offices and residences, with the dates of their becoming resident in the Diocese.

SEC. 2. The Secretary shall record this list of names in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.

SEC. 3. From this record shall be made up by the Secretary the list of the Clergymen entitled, according to the Constitution, to seats in the Convention; which list may at any time be revised and corrected by the Convention.

SEC. 4. The Lay members of the Convention shall be male communicants in good standing. They shall be chosen by the Vestries of incorporated Churches, and by the Congregations of Mission Churches.

Delegates from Mission Churches shall be chosen at a meeting of which notice shall have been given during Divine Service on the two Sundays next previous thereto. And at such meeting, the Rector, Minister or Warden shall preside, and the qualifications for voting shall be the same as those required by law for voting at the election of Vestrymen.

SEC. 5. The appointment of a Lay Delegate shall be certified in writing by the Rector or Minister of the Church of which he is a representative, or by one of theWardens, and also by the Clerk of the Vestry, or of the meeting of the Congregation at which he was elected. Every such certificate will show upon its face, that the appointment of the Lay Delegate was made in accordance with the Constitution and Canons.

SEC. 6. Notice of the meeting of any Convention shall be given by the Secretary in a written or printed letter, transmitted by mail at the expense of the Convention, to every Clergyman in the Diocese and to the Wardens in every vacant Church, at least one month before the time of meeting. This letter shall contain a notice of the time and place of holding

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the Convention, extracts from the Constitution relating to the appointment of Lay Delegates, and a form of certificate of their election.

Whenever, under the provisions of the Constitution, a special Convention is called for any particular purpose, it shall be the duty of the Secretary, in the notice thereof, to specify such purpose.

CANON II.

THE ADMISSION OF CHURCHES INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. Every incorporated Church in this Diocese which has, or hereafter shall have, by its Charter or Articles of Association, expressly acceded to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, may be admitted into union with this Convention, by submitting to the Convention of the same at the annual meeting:

First—Evidence of the organization under said Articles, to the satisfaction of the Convention.

Second—The Articles of agreement by which it has become incorporated, duly acknowledged with a certificate of the recording thereof, or a copy certified by the Clerk of the County, as of record.

Third—A certificate from the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from a majority of the Standing Committee, that notice was given to him or them, at least one month before the Convention, and of his or their appproval of the incorporation of such Church.

SEC. 2. Any Mission Church organized as provided for by Canon 18 of this Diocese, may be admitted into union with the Convention, by placing in the hands of the annual Convention a copy of its application to the Bishop for organization, and his consent thereto, and by giving the required notification, as provided for in sub-section 3 of section one, of this Canon.

SEC. 3. Whenever, hereafter, any Church in union with the Convention, from a failure to sustain the services of the Church, or any other cause shall, in the judgment of the Bishop, be virtually extinct, he shall report that fact to the Convention, with such recommendation for its final action as he may deem best.

Such Church, however, may be re-admitted upon application to the Convention, accompanied by a report of its condition, and on such terms as shall appear just; such re-admission to take effect from and after the rising of the Convention consenting to such admission.

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CANON III.

OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. In addition to the requirements of the Constitution and General Canons, it is hereby made the duty of the Secretary to take minutes of the proceedings of the Convention; to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully to deliver all original documents into the hands of the Bishop, or Registrar of the Diocese, and all books and records relating to the Convention, to his own successor in office. He shall keep a list of the Churches applying for admission into union with the Convention. He shall, within thirty days after the adjournment of the Annual Convention, furnish to the Treasurer a certified statement of all accounts allowed by the Convention. He shall examine and certify to the Treasurer, the bills for printing and other expenses of the Journal, and of any other official work which may be committed to him as the executive officer.

An Assistant Secretary may be appointed by the Secretary, with the approval of the Convention.

He shall also transmit copies of the Journal of the Convention to the Clergymen and Churches in the Diocese, one of which it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Church to preserve with the Church records.

Whenever there shall be a vacancy in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretary, if there be one, but, if there be no Assistant Secretary, then upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive, safely keep and disburse, all moneys which may come into his hands by authority of the Canons, resolutions or other action of the Convention, together with such other duties incidental to the foregoing as may be in like manner prescribed. He shall keep books of account, which shall show in detail all moneys received, paid out and held by him (a separate account being kept for each fund placed in his hands); shall obtain good and sufficient receipts, or other vouchers, for all disbursements made by him, and shall lay before the Convention annually, a detailed report of the receipts and disbursements of each fund with all vouchers and other necessary papers. Such books of account and papers shall be regarded as the property of the Diocese, shall be submitted by him for examination whenever required by the Convention, and shall be faithfully delivered by him into the hands of his successor.

At or before the opening of the Convention, the Treasurer hall submit to the Secretary of the Convention, a list of the Churches delinquent in the paying of their assessments.

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He shall give bonds for the faithful performance of his duties, to the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, in such amount and with such sureties as may be prescribed by said Association.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Registrar to collect and preserve as the property of the Diocese, all documents and papers pertaining to the Diocese, and not in the custody of any other officer, and also the Journals and public documents of other Diocesan Conventions, and of the General Convention, and other pamphlets and publications connected with the Church at large.

SEC. 4. The Chancellor of the Diocese shall be the legal advisor of the Bishop and Standing Committee.

SEC. 5. Any expense incurred by the Secretary, Treasurer and Registrar in discharging the duties of their respective offices, shall be paid from the General Fund.

CANON IV.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

SEC. 1. At the first meeting of the Standing Committee, which shall be on the day of their election, they shall choose one of their Clerical members to be President, and another of their members to be Secretary. At all meetings a majority of the members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Committee to keep a faithful record of all their proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, and report such proceedings to the Convention at its annual meeting; to preserve the original of all papers and letters addressed to the Committee; to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which, in virtue of his office, may have been committed to him. The minutes of the Committee, and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examina tion of the Bishop, and of the Convention.

SEC. 2. The Standing Committe shall have authority to fill all vacancies that may occur during the recess of the Convention, in their own body or in any committee appointed to sit in the recess of the Convention, and also in such other offices as are held by annual election.

CANON V.

CHURCH REGISTERS AND REPORTS.

SEC. 1. In every Church the Wardens shall provide a proper book in which the Rector or Minister, or, if the Church be vacant, one of the Wardens shall record the name and date of the birth of every child baptized, with the names of the parents and sponsors, the name of every adult baptized,

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and the name or names of the witness or witnesses; the name of every person confirmed; of persons married, and of witnesses to marriages; together with a list of all communicants in the Church, with the date of every event recorded, all of which shall be under the signature of the person recording, but the Warden shall not drop from the list the name of any resident communicant.

SEC. 2. There shall annually be presented to the Bishop, on or before the first day of the Convention, by the Rector, Minister, or one of the Wardens, an accurate statement of the number of communicants, together with such other particulars as may throw light on the condition of the Church, as shall be prescribed by Canon XX, Title I of the Digest, and the form of reports issued by the Bishop.

SEC. 3. A Church having ceased its existence, its Register shall be sent forthwith to the Registrar of the Diocese.

CANON VI.

THE VESTRY.

SEC. 1. In every incorporated Church of this Diocese, there shall be an annual election on Easter Monday or Tuesday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five nor more than ten members, who shall continue in office unitil their successors are elected. The Vestrymen shall, by ballot, choose two of their members to be Wardens, who shall be communicants. The Vestry shall elect a Secretary and Treasurer, to continue in office until their successors be elected, or they be removed by the Vestry. The Secretary shall note and record in a book, provided for that purpose, the minutes of their proceedings; attest the public acts of the Vestry; preserve all records and papers belonging to the Church, and perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents belonging to the Church that may be in his possession. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all moneys of the Church, on order of the Vestry.

SEC. 2. In electing a Vestry at the first organization of a Church, the persons who shall be entitled to vote must be of full age and have signed the Articles of Association, or a declaration in writing, to be kept in a book of minutes, whereby they shall signify their intention of attaching themselves to said Church, and accepting the terms of such Articles. At all subsequent meetings the right to vote shall be confined to such persons, of full age, as have for one year previous, or since the organization of said Church, in case one year has not intervened, been stated worshipers in such Church, and either owned or rented a seat therein, or have been regular contributors to its support in such manner as may have been adopted

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for that purpose; but only males shall be eligible to the office of Vestrymen, or as delegates to the Diocesan Convention. The names of all persons so voting shall be entered on the record of the meeting, which record shall be signed by the presiding officer and the judges of the election.

SEC. 3. No person shall be elected Vestryman who is not a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected.

SEC. 4 If any Vestryman shall be guilty of any scandalous or immoral conduct, or shall be notoriously immoral in his general character, the Vestry shall have the power, on being satisfied of his guilt, to expel him, provided always that two-thirds concur in such expulsion, and that the person expelled shall have the right to appeal to the Bishop.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a Minister, and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of Divine worship, and in general to act as helpers to the Minister, in whatever is appropriate for Laymen, for the furtherance of the Gospel; it being understood always that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the Minister, in subordination to the Ecclesiastical Authority and the laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens, especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's supper, to collect the alms at the administration of same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the church is destitute of a Minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation by occasional Clerical services, or by Lay-reading, as circumstances permit.

CANON VII.

VACANT CHURCH AND CLERICAL SETTLEMENT AND REMOVAL.

SEC. 1. Whenever an incorporated Church becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop.

SEC. 2. Prior to the election of a Minister of any incorporated Church the Vestry shall inform the Bishop of the name and residence of the person they propose to elect; and it shall be unlawful for the Vestry to take action on any name until the receipt of the Bishop's acknowledgment of such notification, and of his accompanying suggestion, if there be any: Provided, he be at the time within the territory of the United States, and that his reply be not deferred longer than thirty days after the receipt of said notification. If, after the expiration of six months, the Vestry of such Church, which has become vacant, shall fail to call or settle a Minister, it shall be the duty of the

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Bishop to appoint one, and he shall notify the Vestry of such appointment, and upon their concurrence, the Minister so appointed shall become Rector of the Church.

SEC. 3. The Bishop may appoint Clergymen in the Diocese, or others, who can with most convenience discharge the duty, to supply such vacant Churches at such time as may be deemed convenient and proper. It shall be the duty of such vacant Churches thus supplied, to defray all the expenses incidental to such occasional services.

CANON VIII.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. At the annual Convention next preceding any stated General Convention, there shall be elected by ballot, four Clergymen from the Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four Laymen who shall be communicants of some Church in the Diocese, to act as Deputies to the General Convention, which Deputies shall continue in office for the term of three years. In like manner there shall be elected four Clergymen and four Laymen as Alternate Deputies to the General Convention. And it shall be the duty of the Deputies-elect to notify the President of the Standing Committee at least three weeks before the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office; and it shall be the duty of the said President in case any Deputies-elect decline to serve as such, to notify the Alternates consecutively, of the vacancies as they occur, and see that they are filled by some Alternate Deputy.

SEC. 2. If any Deputies, as above, shall fail to attend the General Convention, the Bishop, with the concurrence of such Deputies as may be present, may appoint, to fill such vacancies, such persons as are entitled or eligible to seats in the Convention of the Diocese.

CANON IX.

THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

SEC. 1. The Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, a body corporate, organized under the laws of the State of Michigan, and auxiliary to the Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan, is hereby made the agent and custodian of the Diocese for the investment and management—

(*a*) Of all permanent funds of said Diocese, which may be intrusted to it, from time to time, by the Convention; and

(*b*) Of all property which may be conveyed to and held by it in trust for particular Churches, or places where there are no regular Church organizations.

SEC. 2. All conveyances shall be made to, and title to all property belonging to said Diocese, shall vest in this Associa-

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tion, to be held in trust for such purposes as its Articles provide, or as the Convention may, by Canons or resolutions, direct.

SEC. 3. All mortgages, bonds, notes, securities, insurance policies, and other evidences of debt, belonging to the Diocese, shall be taken, held, conveyed and enforced in the name of said Association.

SEC. 4. A statement exhibiting the condition of all funds, securities and property in the hands of the Association shall be made by the Association to each annual Convention.

CANON X.

THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

SEC. 1. The care and management of the fund for the support of the Bishop of the Diocese, now provided, together with that which may hereafter be contributed, and any accumulation upon the investment thereof, shall be intrusted to the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

SEC. 2. The income of the fund, equal to the designated amount of the Bishop's salary, shall be paid by said Association to the Bishop, quarterly, and in case said income shall be insufficient for this purpose, the deficiency shall be paid from the general fund of the Diocese.

SEC. 3. The principal of said Episcopal Fund shall be loaned by the said Association upon security of real estate, appraised at double the amount loaned thereon, or invested in bonds of the United States, or of this State, at its discretion, and it shall have power, from time to time, to change such investments.

CANON XI.

THE GENERAL FUND.

SEC. 1. To provide a General Fund, it shall be the duty of the Treasurer of the Diocese, and the Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, with the Lay members of the Standing Committee, to make an estimate, as soon as may be conveniently done, after each annual session of the Convention, of the amount of money that will be needed during the ensuing year to meet all obligations of the Diocese, payable from said fund.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to assess the amount thus estimated on the Churches in union with the Con vention, at the rate of a uniform percentum, such assessment to be based upon the current expenses of the Church, exclusive of anv sum given to the Church, or its Minister, by any Board of Missions.

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SEC. 3. The current expenses of the Church upon which the assessment shall be made, shall include salary paid to the Rector, the sums paid for the care of the Church buildings, for fuel, lights, rent of building or apartment used by the Church in its work, and for music, insurance and necessary repairs.

SEC. 4. Such assessment shall be made on the last report from each Church; Provided, that when, by reason of a vacancy in any Church, the current expenses, as given in the last report, is an exceptionally small sum, the Treasurer shall increase the basis of assessment of such Church to an amount equal to the average of previous years.

SEC. 5. The Treasurer shall notify each Church of its assessment, and it shall be the duty of the Vestry of each incorporated Church and officers of each Mission Church, to see that the amount thus due the Diocese shall be forwarded to the Treasurer in quarterly installments on the first days of August, November, February and May.

CANON XII.

AID FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN, AND WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF THE CLERGY.

SEC. 1. A Fund shall be established, to be known as "The Christmas Fund," to aid aged and infirm Clergymen, and widows and orphans of the Clergy of this Diocese. It is hereby made the duty of every Church, to make an annual offering to this fund, on Christmas day, or on the Sunday preceding or succeeding Christmas day.

The amount contributed by each Church shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Diocese, who shall also be the Treasurer of this Fund; and if more money be raised than the present necessity requires, such surplus shall be safely invested by the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, the income of which shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Diocese upon his order.

SEC. 2. All the appropriations from this Fund shall be made by the Standing Committee, with the approval of the Bishop, under such rules and regulations as may be adopted by the Committee; but in no case shall the total appropriation exceed the aggregate of the offerings and income for the year next preceding.

SEC. 3. It is hereby made the duty of the Treasurer to transmit to each of the Clergy of the Diocese annually, within the first week of the Advent Season, a printed copy of this Canon.

CANON XIII.

LAY READERS.

SEC. 1. No person shall be considered as authorized to officiate statedly as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, without a

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written license from the Ecclesiastical Authority, and Lay Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of Title 1, Canon 9, and Title 1., Canon 3, Section 4, Digest of the Canons of the General Convention.

CANON XIV.

OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN NOT BEING A BISHOP.

When any Minister of this Diocese, not being a Bishop thereof, shall become liable to "presentment and trial" under the provisions of any Canon of the General or Diocesan Convention, the mode of proceeding in this Diocese shall be as follows, viz.:

SEC. 1. The trial shall be on a presentment in writing, addressed to the Bishop of the Diocese, specifying the offences of which the accused is alleged to be guilty, with reasonable certainty as to time, place and circumstances.

Such presentment may be made by the major part in number of the members of the Vestry of any Church of which the accused is a Minister, or by any three Presbyters of this Diocese entitled to seats in the Convention, or as hereinafter mentioned. Whenever, from public rumor, or otherwise, the Bishop shall have reason to believe that any Clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of any offence or misconduct, for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church requires an examination, it shall be his duty to appoint five persons, of whom three at least shall be Presbyters, to examine the case, a majority of whom may make such examination, and if there is in their opinion, sufficient ground for presentment, they shall present the Clergyman accordingly.

SEC. 2. A presentment being made in any one of the modes above prescribed, the Bishop, if the facts charged shall not appear to him to be such as constitute an offence, may dismiss it; or if it alleges facts, some of which do and some of which do not constitute an offence, he may allow it in part and dismiss the residue, or he may permit it to be amended When it shall be allowed in whole or in part, the Bishop shall cause a copy of it to be served on the accused. The Standing Committee shall nominate nine Presbyters of this Diocese, entitled to seats in the Convention, and not being parties to the presentment, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused; who shall, within thirty days after such service, select five of them, and notify their names in writing to the Bishop. And if he shall not give such notification to the Bishop within the said thirty days, the Standing Committee shall select five; and the Presbyters so selected shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct and shall have power to

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adjourn from time to time and from place to place, (but always within this Diocese) as they shall think necessary.

SEC. 3. A written notice of the time and place of their first meeting shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused, and also on one of the persons making the presentment.

SEC. 4. If, at the time appointed for the first meeting of the Board of Presbyters, the whole number of five shall not attend, then those who do attend may adjourn from time to time, and if, after one adjournment or more, it shall appear to them improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, then those who do attend, not being less than three, shall constitute a Board and proceed to trial; and a majority of them shall decide all questions.

SEC. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall confess the truth of the facts alleged in the presentment, and shall not demur thereto, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to proceed to pass sentence; and if he shall not confess them before the appointment of a Board for his trial, as before mentioned, he shall be considered as denying them.

SEC. 6. If a Clergyman presented, after having had due notice, shall not appear before the Board of Presbyters appointed for his trial, the Board may nevertheless proceed as if he were present, unless, for good cause, they see fit to adjourn until another day.

SEC. 7. When the Board proceeds to the trial, they shall hear such evidence as shall be produced, which evidence shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to addminister oaths, may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses, that they will testify the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth concerning the facts charged in the presentment. If, on or during the trial, the accused shall confess the truth of the charges as stated in the presentment, the Board may dispense with hearing further evidence, and may proceed at once to state their opinion to the Bishop as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced.

SEC 8. Upon the application of either party to the Bishop, and it being made satisfactorily to appear to him that any material witness cannot be produced upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some Clergyman or Layman to act as Commissioner and take the evidence of such witness. And the party applying, as above, shall give to the other party at least five days notice of the time and place of taking the testimony; and if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served reside more than forty miles from the place of the examination, an additional day's notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given

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for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness, and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the Board, and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such Commissioner may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SEC. 9. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges, respectively; and also stating the sentence, which, in their opinion, shall be pronounced; and a copy of such decision shall be without delay delivered to the accused, and the original decision, together with the evidence shall be delivered to the Bishop, who shall pronounce such sentence as may appear to him to be proper, provided the same does not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. Before pronouncing any sentence, the Bishop shall summon the accused and any three or more of the Clergymen to meet him, at such time as may in his opinion be most convenient, in some Church to be designated by him, which shall for that purpose be open at the time to all persons who may choose to attend, and the sentence shall then and there be publicly pronounced by the Bishop.

The Convention of the Diocese shall elect one Clergyman and one Layman, learned in the law, to serve for three years and until their successors are appointed, and who, with the Bishop, shall constitute a Court of Appeal. When any Clergyman shall have been found guilty by any Court, acting under the Canon, he may, within thirty days of the finding of said Court, lodge with the Bishop a notice of appeal.

The Bishop shall thereupon summon the Court of appeal to meet at such time and place as may seem to him most convenient, provided that such meeting be not delayed for more than sixty days from the date of said notice of appeal. The Court of Appeal being duly assembled in accordance with such summons, they shall proceed to consider the record of the Court which tried the appellant, and such written and oral arguments as they may see fit. If satisfied that justice demands it, they shall grant a new trial, provided that in a case involving questions of doctrine or ritual, no finding shall be affirmed, unless the Bishop be one of those voting to affirm said finding.

If a new trial be granted, the Court of Appeal shall so certify to the Standing Committee, who shall thereupon appoint

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a new Board of Presbyters, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

SEC. 10. All notices and papers contemplated in this Canon may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed for the purpose by the Bishop, and whose certificate of such service shall be evidence thereof. In case of service by any other person, the fact shall be proved by the affidavit of such person. A written notice or paper delivered to the party, or left at his last place of residence, shall be deemed a sufficient service of such notice or paper.

SEC. 11. If the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese shall, under the provisions of the Canons of the General Convention, or otherwise, make known to the Ecclesiastical Authority of this Diocese, charges against a Presbyter, or Deacon thereof, such communication shall be a sufficient presentation of him for trial; and the trial shall take place as hereinbefore provided. The Bishop shall appoint some competent person as prosecutor, who shall be considered as the party making the presentment.

SEC. 12. The defendant may have the privilege of appearing by Counsel; in case of the exercise of which privilege, and not otherwise, those who shall present shall also have the like privilege.

CANON XV.

OF CONVOCATIONS OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY.

SEC. 1. The Diocese shall be divided into two or more Convocations by the Bishop, and the Clergy within these Convocations, shall meet on such day and in such places as the Convocations may from time to time appoint. Each Church within the Convocation shall be entitled to one or more Lay Delegates.

SEC. 2. The objects of the Convocations shall be to promote a better acquaintance of the Clergy and Laity, to devise measures for mutual co-operation, to discuss and compare practical modes of Church work, and by united prayer to invoke the guidance and blessing of the Holy Spirit.

SEC. 3. The officers of the Convocations shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by the members of the Convocation. The Bishop of the Diocese, when present, shall preside.

SEC. 4. The government of the Convocation shall be by regulations of its own, adopted from time to time by a majority of those attending. At each meeting a committee shall be appointed by the President, who shall recommend preachers and subjects for discussion at the next meeting.

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SEC. 5. The Convocations shall make annual reports of their transactions, through their Secretaries, to the Bishop, to be presented to the Convention.

CANON XVI.

THE DIOCESAN CONFERENCE.

SEC. 1. The Bishop shall appoint two Diocesan Conferences in each year at such time and place as his judgment may direct. He shall also appoint the Speakers and Writers.

SEC. 2. The officers of a Conference shall be a Treasurer and Secretary to be appointed by the Bishop; and the Secretary shall report to the annual Convention.

CANON XVII.

THE MISSIONS OF THE DIOCESE.

The Church in this Diocese, acknowledging her responsibility, in common with the whole Church, for the fulfillment of the charge of our Lord to preach the Gospel to every creature, and especially for the extension of the Church throughout this Diocese, declares that it is the duty of the Convention, as her representative body, to care for the Missionary work, and that every baptized member of the Church is bound, according to his ability to assist in carrying it on. To this end, it is hereby enacted as follows:

SEC. 1. At each annual meeting of the Convention, five Clergymen and five Laymen shall be elected by ballot, who, with the Bishop, shall compose a Board to be called the Board of Missions of the Diocese of Western Michigan; provided that no Clergyman shall be eligible who receives a missionary stipend.

SEC. 2. The Board of Missions shall meet at such time as the Bishop shall appoint, or as the Board shall determine. The Bishop shall be ex officio Chairman of the Board; but in his absence the Board shall elect one of their number to preside. They shall elect from their own number a Secretary and Treasurer; adopt their own by-laws; and in connection with the Bishop, shall have the general charge and direction of the missionary work of the Diocese; but all Missionaries shall be appointed by the Bishop. They shall have power to fix and pay such stipends and other expenses as may be necessary to carry on the Missionary work of the Diocese. After the second year they shall reduce annually the stipend appointed to each Missionary, unless sufficient reason be given for the continuance of the full amount. They shall also have power to raise, to receive, and to expend money in the purchase of Bibles, Prayer Books, Tracts and such other Books as may be required to carry on the Missionary work of the Diocese in an

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effective manner; and also to apply the general funds of the Board for the purchase of land, and the erection of churches and chapels; provided, the support of the Missionaries has been met for the current year. They shall also have the power to raise and expend money to assist Postulants or Candidates for Holy Orders, studying under the Ecclesiastical Authority of this Diocese.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Minister of every Church in the Diocese to take an offering for Diocesan Missions once a month, or by stated pledges from the members of the Church, and the proceeds shall be remitted to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions quarterly.

SEC. 4. The Board of Missions shall, from time to time, publish statements of their work, and make a full report to each annual Convention, which report shall contain the names of all the Missionary stations and Missionaries, the annual receipts and expenditures, the names of Churches contributing, a list of non-contributing Churches, if any, and any other matter calculated to promote the missionary interests of the Diocese, which report shall be entered in full upon the Journal.

SEC. 5. The Bishop shall appoint a sub-committee of the Board of Missions consisting of two Clergymen and three Laymen, to be called "The Committee on Church Building," whose duty it shall be to raise a special fund to aid in the erection of new churches in destitute places, and to apply the same as they may deem expedient, acting in conjunction with the Bishop.

CANON XVIII.

THE ORGANIZATION OF MISSION CHURCHES.

SEC. 1. A Mission Church may be organized in any town, village or neighborhood, with the consent of the Bishop; provided, that no such Mission Church shall be organized in any town, village or neighborhood in which there is an incorporated Church or Churches in union with the Convention, without the consent of the Rector and Vestry of such incorporated Church or Churches.

SEC. 2. Any residents of any town, village or neighborhood, may make application to the Bishop to organize a Mission Church in and for such town, village or neighborhood, which application shall be in the following, or similar form, viz:.

"To the Right Reverend..... .....
Bishop of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

We, the undersigned, residents of the.....
of.....County of.....Diocese of Western Michigan, being desirous of obtaining the services of the Protestant Episcopal Church, do hereby request you

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to provide them for us. For which benefits we do hereby agree to put ourselves under your charge, promising conformity to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrines, Discipline and Worship of said Church, to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Western Michigan, and to the rules regulating Mission Churches in this Diocese. And in accordance with these rules, we are now desirous to be organized as such under the name of.....Mission Church.

Respectfully, your obedient servants."

This application shall be signed by all the adults who propose to be members of the Mission Church.

Provided, that in case of a Mission Church organized where there is an existing incorporated Church, not in union with this Convention, the said Mission Church may be dissolved by the Bishop when he is satisfied that the existing incorporated Church has been actually revived, has resumed its union with the Convention and is willing and able to sustain the services of the Church.

SEC. 3. (1) If the proper consents to the organization of a Mission shall have been given, the Bishop shall appoint the following officers for the first year, and after that they shall be elected by ballot annually, in Easter week: a Warden, who shall be a male communicant, a Treasurer and a Secretary. And all members of such Church, 21 years of age, who are regular attendants at the services and contributing to its support, shall be entitled to vote.

(2) It shall be the duty of the Warden to procure a room or house, to be used as a place of worship, and to see that the same be kept clean and in good order and repair, and that it is provided with all things necessary for conducting the services of the Church decently and in order. He shall also provide the bread and wine for the Holy Communion; take charge of the Communion service, the linen, books, etc., belonging to the Mission Church, and shall endeavor, in the absence of the Missionary at any time, to keep up the regularity of the services and if there be no Missionary, shall make the annual report.

(3) It shall be the duty of the Secretary, or if there be no Secretary, the Treasurer, to keep a record of events of importance to the Church, and a list of the families and members, and in case the Missionary be non-resident, to have the custody of the Register of Baptisms, Confirmations, etc., but not to make entries therein, except by the Missionary's request, or in his absence; and to attend to any correspondence required by the Church. It shall also be the duty of the Treasurer to collect all moneys of the Church and disburse the same on the order of the officers.

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(4) The Missionary, on consultation with the officers, shall appoint the sexton, organist, and choir leader. But if there be no Missionary, the right of such appointment shall rest with the officers previously named.

SEC. 4. In case of the dissolution of a Mission Church, all personal property belonging to the Church shall be taken in custody and held in trust for the Diocese by the Treasurer of the Board of Missions.

SEC. 5. The title of all real estate given to or purchased by a Mission Church shall be conveyed to and vested in the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, to be held in trust until such time as the Mission Church shall become a duly incorporated Church, or longer, if the Congregation so elect. Donations of real estate shall not be accepted, or purchase made thereof, for a Mission Church, without the written consent of the Bishop and the Committee on Church building.

SEC. 6. Every Missionary in charge of a Mission Church shall have all the Canonical rights of a Rector of an incorporated Church.

SEC. 7. The failure of the members of a Mission Church to fulfill their stipulations, may warrant the Bishop in withdrawing the Missionary and dissolving the organization.

SEC. 8. A Mission Church may become an incorporated Church, under the Statute, when it is provided with a Church building and on giving written notice to the Bishop, and obtaining, the consent of the Bishop and the Board of Missions.

SEC. 9. A Mission Church shall not place itself under the charge, permanent or temporary, of any Minister, without the consent of the Bishop.

CANON XIX.

TRUSTEES OF AKELEY INSTITUTE.

SEC. 1. The annual Convention shall nominate not less than five persons, two thirds of whom shall be members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as candidates for the office of Trustees of Akeley Institute in accordance with Article V of the Articles of Association of Akeley Institute.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Convention shall immediately after the Convention transmit to the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Akeley Institute, the names and residences of the persons nominated.

CANON XX.

THE SOLEMN NOMINATION AND CHOOSING OF A BISHOP.

Whenever, in the Providence of God, it may become necessary for this Diocese to choose a Bishop, and when, for this purpose, the Convention shall be in session, the order and mode of proceeding shall be the following:

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SEC. 1. There shall be read this Canon, the Testimonials that must be signed in behalf of a Bishop-elect, and the Vows required of him in the ordinal, to the end that none other than a godly and well learned man may be selected. After which the Convention shall be invited to silent prayer for a brief space.

SEC. 2. The nomination shall then be in order, and shall be by ballot, each order voting separately. Viva voce nomination shall be in order, only when the Convention shall be sitting in Committee of the Whole, as hereinafter provided. Each member of the Convention may place two names, and no more, upon his ballot, which names shall be reported as respectively the first and second choice of the voter. The list of the Clerical and Lay members of the Convention shall be called separately, each voter reverently advancing to deposit his ballot with the tellers.

SEC. 3. The tellers shall report the name of each nominee, with the number of votes given to each, as first choice and as second choice, of each order, and shall also report the number of blank ballots, if any, and when they are ready to report the Convention shall rise to receive the same; after which, all standing, the President of the Convention shall read verses 24 and 25 of Acts I; then, all kneeling, shall be said the Collect for St. Matthias' day and the Veni Creator in its longer form read responsively, to be followed by the Lord's Prayer.

SEC. 4. The Convention may then, at its pleasure, go into the Committee of the Whole, or a formal ballot or ballots may then be ordered, which shall be conducted in the same manner as the former, except that only one name shall be upon each ballot. The tellers shall report the result of each of such ballots, and when it shall be found that any nominee has a constitutional majority of votes on any formal ballot, such nominee shall be declared elected, and appropriate prayers and praise shall be offered.

SEC. 5. The Convention may, after the first or after any formal ballot, vote to go into Committee of the Whole. While in the Committee of the Whole, nominations may be discussed and other nominations made viva voce at its pleasure; and no words of comment upon any nomination that may be made, nor praise nor censure of any clergyman, shall be permitted, except in such Committee of the Whole, sitting with closed doors.

SEC. 6. When all nominations shall have been sufficiently discussed, the Chairman of the Committee shall solemnly remind all present that their proceedings and sayings have been confidential, and must be so considered and regarded by all upon their sacred honor.

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SEC. 7. When the Committee has risen and the President of the Convention has taken his seat and re-opened the session, the Chairman of the Committee shall report its action to the Convention, and balloting shall be resumed with all solemnity as before, until, by God's Holy Spirit, who maketh men to be of one mind in a house, a Bishop be duly chosen and declared elected by a constitutional majority.

SEC. 8. This Canon is hereby declared to be an act of solemn homage to God, by whose authority in Jesus Christ the Episcopate was established in the Holy Apostles and by whose Holy Spirit it hath been perpetuated; and it is enacted with intention to conform as strictly as possible to the Apostolic example, to the end that all things being done decently and in order, the Lord our God may be with us and our children, as He was with our fathers in the old time.

CANON XXI.

ALTERATIONS OF THE CANONS.

Any propositions to alter the Canons of this Diocese, shall be submitted in writing and considered only at the annual Convention; and after one day's previous notice thereof shall have been given. Before being considered it shall be reported on by a Committee of not less than two Clergymen and two Laymen, and, if then approved by a majority, with the concurrence of the Bishop, the Canons shall stand altered as proposed.

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A BILL

To amend section one of act number one hundred and ten of the acts of the legislature of the State of Michigan of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "An act to provide for the re-organization of corporations or associations for religious, charitable, benevolent or educational purposes, the corporate term of existence of which has heretofore expired, or may hereafter expire by limitation, and to fix the duties and liabilities of such renewed corporations or associations," approved May twenty-three, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, the same being section number four thousand, nine hundred and four c of volume three of Howell's annotated statutes.

SECTION 1. *The People of the State of Michigan enact,* That section one of act number one hundred and ten of the acts of the legislature of the State of Michigan of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "An act to provide for the re-organization of corporations or associations for religious, charitable, benevolent or educational purposes, the corporate term of existence of which has heretofore expired, or may hereafter expire by limitation, and to fix the duties and liabilities of such renewed corporations or associations," approved May twenty-three, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, the same being section number four thousand nine hundred and four *c* of volume three of Howell's annotated statutes, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 1. That any corporation or association organized for religious, charitable, benevolent or educational purposes, whose corporate term of existence has expired or may hereafter expire by limitation, may re-organize under the respective acts under which said corporation or association was originally organized and the several acts amendatory thereof, so as to become subject to the provisions of said original acts severally and the several amendments thereof, whenever the trustees, wardens and vestrymen or other proper persons, de jure or de facto, shall execute and file articles of association or agreement as provided in said respective original acts and the several acts amendatory thereof. Said trustees, wardens, vestrymen or other proper persons de jure or de facto, are hereby authorized by their names of office, to make, sign, acknowledge, execute and file one or more articles of association or agreement as provided in said respective original acts and the several acts amendatory thereof, which articles shall, in addition to the requisites in said original acts severally and the several acts amendatory thereof, set forth that

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they are executed for the purpose of re-organizing said corporation or association according to the provisions of this act, and such articles shall be deemed sufficient when so executed and filed, although the number of signers shall be less than that required in said several original acts and the several acts amendatory thereof, if they shall constitute a majority of such trustees, wardens, vestrymen or other proper persons, de jure or de facto. Upon the execution and filing of said articles, such corporation or association shall, without further action, be deemed to all intents and purposes re-organized, and the corporate identity of such corporation or association shall continue unchanged.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

A Corporation formed by the execution and filing of these Articles of Association, in pursuance of "An Act to provide for the incorporation of Associations, Conventions, Conferences or religious bodies for literary, religious or other benevolent purposes," approved March 27, 1867, and the Acts amendatory thereto.

ARTICLE I.

The following persons, to-wit:

George D. Gillespie, Bishop of the Diocese of Western Michigan; Joseph W. Bancroft, Secretary of said Diocese; Sidney Beckwith, Registrar of said Diocese; William Stowe, James F. Conover, Albert W. Snyder, Samuel Earp, Alonzo Platt, Noah P. Loveridge, and Lebeus C. Chapin, Standing Committee of said Diocese:

John Coleman, John W. Clark, Henry B. Whittemore, Albert C. Lewis, James F. Conover, Peter L. R. Pierce, William B. Williams, Alpheus G. Smith, David M. Bateman, Board of Missions of said Diocese:

Theodore P. Sheldon, Treasurer of the Convention; Frederick A. Gorham, Charles P. Dibble and Henry Brees, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund; do hereby associate themselves together, and form a Corporation under the name of the "Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan," according to the provisions of said statutes.

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ARTICLE II.

The persons, or such of them as may hereafter hold the offices and places of Bishop, Secretary, Registrar, Treasurer of the Convention, the Treasurer and Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, Standing Committee, and Board of Missions of said Diocese, by whatever name they may be designated, shall, *ex-officio*, together with such other person or persons as may be elected by the Convention, be members of this Corporation, perpetually, without any other election, or appointment, or ceremony, than their election or appointment to the offices aforesaid, in said Diocese.

Each of the aforesaid persons, or their successors, shall cease to be members of this Corporation, whenever they cease to hold the offices or places aforesaid, and any member of this Corporation shall cease to be such upon his death, or removal from the Diocese, or his ceasing to be a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or upon his removal from this Corporation by the Convention of said Diocese; and the vacancy which shall occur by the death, removal, or ceasing to be a member of said Church, of any person not *ex-officio* a member of this Corporation, shall be filled by a vote of a majority of the remaining members of this Corporation.

ARTICLE III.

The Convention of said Diocese shall have power to remove any corporator who may cease to be a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or for any incapacity or misbehavior, or other cause that by said Convention may be deemed sufficient

ARTICLE IV.

The purposes of this Corporation and Association are:

1st. The management and control of all the property, real and personal, belonging to the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

2d. The holding of all such property in its corporate name.

3d. The performance of such duties, and the exercise of such powers, relating to the temporalities of the Protestant Episcopal Church in said Diocese, as shall, from time to time, be prescribed by the Convention of said Diocese.

4th. To act as auxiliary to said Convention in regard to all the temporalities of the Diocese.

5th. To receive by purchase, gift, grant, devise, or otherwise, any or all property, real and personal, designed for the use of said Diocese, and for the promotion of its interests, and to hold the same in trust for the use thereof, and to invest,

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sell, dispose of, or re-invest, the same as it may be advised, subject only to the control of the Convention of said Diocese.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop of said Diocese shall be the President of this Corporation, and the Secretary of the said Convention shall be the Secretary of the Corporation.

The following persons to-wit:

George D. Gillespie, Frederick A. Gorham, Charles P. Dibble, Henry Brees, Alpheus G. Smith, James F. Conover, Sidney Beckwith, Henry B. Whittemore and Theodore P. Sheldon are hereby declared to be the first Trustees of this Corporation; and there shall be elected by such Corporation annually, hereafter, in the manner provided by the By-Laws of such Corporation, nine (9) Trustees of the Corporation, who shall hold their office until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE VI.

The annual meeting of this Corporation for the election of officers, and the transaction of such other business as may be necessary, shall be held at such time and at such place, as the By-Laws may prescribe.

ARTICLE VII.

This Corporation shall have power to make By-Laws, providing for the organization of the Board of Trustees, defining its powers and duties; to provide for the time and place of the annual meeting; for the calling of special meetings; for the manner of conveying property by the Corporation; defining and declaring the duties of the President, and Secretary, and Treasurer; providing for the appointment of such officers other than those herein named as may, from time to time, be necessary, and for such other objects and purposes as the Corporation may deem necessary.

In Testimony Whereof, we have on this fourteenth day of September, A. D. 1875, hereto respectively subscribed our hands and set our seals.

Geo. D. Gillespie.	Alpheus G. Smith
Joseph W. Bancroft.	Theodore P. Sheldon.
Sidney Beckwith.	Frederick A Gorham.
James F. Conover.	Charles P. Dibble.
Samuel Earp.	Henry Brees.
Alonzo Platt.	Albert C. Lewis,
Noah P. Loveridge.	Lebeus C. Chapin.
John Coleman.	David M. Bateman.
Henry B. Whittemore.	Albert W. Snyder.
Peter R. L. Price.	William Stowe.
W. B. Williams.	John W. Clark.

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BY-LAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

"The Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan" hereby adopts the following By-Laws, for the government of said Association, viz.:

SECTION I.

The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Board of Trustees which shall be the Executive Committee of the Association

SECTION II.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

The President and Secretary shall have such powers and duties as usually devolve upon the same officers in similar organizations.

SECTION III.

OF THE TREASURER.

The Treasurer of said Association shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties, in such sums as the Board of Trustees shall, from time to time, direct, with sufficient securities to be approved by said Board. He shall receive all such sums of money as may be due, or belonging to the Association, whether the same be for the general purposes of the Diocese of Western Michigan, or for any particular fund, and shall hold and safely keep the same subject to the order of the Board of Trustees; and shall safely keep all deeds, mortgages, insurance policies, and securities that may come into his hands, for the purpose or use of such Association; and shall make all releases, discharges, and acquitments necessary in regard thereto. He shall make a full and complete report of all moneys received and disbursed by him under the order of the Board of Trustees aforesaid, and of all securities, deeds or other conveyances held by him for such Association, at a meeting of the Association to be held on the day preceding the Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

SECTION IV.

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The Board of Trustees shall have the charge of all the temporalities of the Diocese of Western Michigan, and by its Treasurer, receive and invest all moneys paid into the Association for such purpose, and shall provide for proper

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investment of such funds and the mode of securing the same. They shall also determine and authorize the sale and conveyance of real estate belonging to such Association. They shall make a full and complete report to the Association of their doings, at the meeting of such Association, on the day preceding the Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

All conveyances of real estate shall be made under resolution of said Board, and be executed by the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, or a majority of them.

SECTION V.

OF MEETINGS.

The regular Annual Meeting of this Association shall be held at the place of meeting of the Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan, on the day preceding the first day of meeting of such Convention, and, at such meeting, the Association shall prepare for such Convention, a full and complete statement of all the financial transactions of such Association during the year, showing, fully, all moneys received, invested and paid out, and the purpose and object of the same, and present said statement to said Convention, through its proper officers, for its action, with all vouchers, securities and other evidences of indebtedness, held by such Association in trust for said Convention. Such Meeting shall continue its session until the close of the Annual Convention, at which time it shall hold the Annual Election of its officers.

SECTION VI.

OF SPECIAL MEETINGS.

Special meetings of the Association may be called at any time by the President, and shall be called at the written request of the Board of Trustees, or any five members of the Association.

SECTION VII.

OF A QUORUM.

Seven members of the Association shall be sufficient for a quorum competent for the transaction of business.

SECTION VIII.

OF ALTERATIONS AND AMENDMENTS.

These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any meeting of the Association, by a two-thirds vote of those present, notice having been given of the intended alteration or amendment.

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BY-LAWS

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

I. The Bishop of the Diocese shall be, *ex-officio*, the presiding officer of this Board. In his absence from any meeting of the Board a Chairman shall be appointed by the members present.

The President, Secretary and Treasurer, or a majority of them, shall make all conveyances, and execute all other legal papers, under the direction of the Board.

II. The Secretary of this Board shall be elected at each Annual Meeting of the Board.

III. The President and the Secretary shall have such powers and duties as usually devolve upon the same officers in similar organizations.

IV. The regular Annual Meeting of the Board shall be held on the same day, and at the same place, as the regular Annual Meeting of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

V. Special Meetings of the Board may be called by the President, and shall be called at the written request of any three members of the Board.

VI A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

VII. These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any meeting of the Board, by a two-thirds vote of those present; previous notice having been given to all the members, of the proposed alteration or amendment.

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STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That any Missionary of this Diocese who may be precluded by pecuniary inability from attending the Annual Convention, be requested to advise the Bishop of such fact; and that upon application of the Bishop in such behalf to the Treasurer of the Convention, the latter shall extend the necessary aid to enable such Missionary to meet his brethren in Convention. [Journal 1878, page 43.]

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese of Western Michigan is hereby authorized and instructed to pay to the "Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan," each recurring year, so long as the necessity may exist, such portion of the money realized from the assessment upon the Parishes, as shall be over and above the amount required to pay the annual current expenses of the Diocese, to be used in making good, so far as it will go, any deficiency that occurs in the Bishop's salary from the insufficient avails of the Episcopal Fund. *Provided*, that in no event shall the sum paid from the General Fund toward the Bishop's salary exceed the amount of the deficiency for that year, which deficiency, when it becomes apparent, the Treasurer of the Association shall officially certify to the Treasurer of the Diocese, and the receipt of the Treasurer of the Association shall be a voucher to the Treasurer of the Convention. [Journal 1880, page 30.]

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be requested to send notice of Assessments to the Wardens of Parishes. [Journal 1883, page 62.]

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OF THE

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Will be Held in St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, commencing on WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1st, A. D., 1898, at 9 a. m.

J. N. RIPPEY, Secretary.

A FORM OF BEQUEST.

To the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, a body Corporate under the Laws of the State of Michigan, and empowered to receive and hold any property, real or personal, for the use and benefit of said Diocese:

I hereby give, devise and bequeath, unto the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan the sum of.....Dollars for

(a) The uses and purposes of said Association; or

(b) For the uses of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen and Widows and Orphans of the Clergy; or

(c) For the uses of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese; or

(d) For the Missions of the Diocese; or

(e) For the Rectory Building Fund, or for any other specific use of the Diocese; or

(f) For.....Parish....., the annual proceeds thereof to be devoted to the support of the Rector, or to repairs of the Church, or to any other Parochial object specified.

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Committees to Report to the Next Convention.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE WITH THE DIOCESES OF MICHIGAN AND MARQUETTE ON LEGISLATION.

RT. REV. GEO. D. GILLESPIE, D. D.
MR. JACOB KLEINHANS.
MR. ALBERT CRANE.

COMMITTEE ON CLERICAL SETTLEMENT.

THE REV. J. N. MCCORMICK.
THE REV. WM. H. VAN ANTWERP, D. D.
MR. F. A. GORHAM.
MR. E. T. MONTGOMERY.

COMMITTEE ON CHANGE OF A MISSION INTO A PARISH.

THE REV. J. W. BANCROFT.
MR. NORMAN HARRISON.
MR. R. H. BUCKHOUT.

COMMITTEE ON 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONSECRATION OF BISHOP GILLESPIE.

THE REV. WM. H. VAN ANTWERP, D. D.
THE REV. J. N. MCCORMICK.
THE REV. LEWIS BROWN, B. D.
MR. GEORGE WILLARD.
MR. D. G. ROBINSON.

IMPORTANT TO PARISHES.

The Corporate term of existence of a Parish, like most other corporations is thirty years only. (*See Constitution of the State of Michigan, Art. XV; Sec. 10.*) (*See Law of 1897 in Appendix.*)

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DIGEST OF THE CANONS.

TITLE I—CANON 18.

GENERAL REGULATION OF MINISTERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

§ 1. [1] It is hereby required that, on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form or to this effect:

We, the Church Wardens (or in case of an Assistant Minister, we, the Rector and Church Wardens), to the Right Rev. (naming the Bishop) or to the Rev. (naming the President of the Standing Committee) that (naming the person) has been duly chosen Rector (or Assistant Minister, as the case may be) of (naming the Parish or Church).

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of those who certify.

N. B.—The *date* of election to the Rectorship should be given in the Canonical notice sent to the Bishop.

§ 2. No minister moving from one Diocese or Missionary District to another shall officiate as the Rector or Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate in the words following:

I do hereby certify that the Rev. A—— B—— has been Canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a minister in regular standing.

TITLE II.—CANON 12.

REGULATIONS RESPECTING THE LAITY.

§ 1. A Communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a Communicant until such letter shall be produced.

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

CANON VII.

VACANT CHURCH AND CLERICAL SETTLEMENT AND REMOVAL.

SEC. 1. Whenever an incorporated Church becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop.

SEC. 2. Prior to the election of a Minister of any incorporated Church the Vestry shall inform the Bishop of the name and residence of the person they propose to elect; and it shall be unlawful for the Vestry to take action on any name until the receipt of the Bishop's acknowledgment of such notification, and of his accompanying suggestion, if there be any: Provided he be at the time within the territory of the United States, and that his reply be not deferred longer than thirty

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days after the receipt of said notification. If, after the expiration of six months, the Vestry of such Church, which has become vacant, shall fail to call or settle a Minister, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to appoint one, and he shall notify the Vestry of such appointment, and upon their concurrence, the Minister so appointed shall become Rector of the Church.

SEC. 3. The Bishop may appoint Clergymen in the Diocese, or others, who can with most convenience discharge the duty, to supply such vacant Churches at such time as may be deemed convenient and proper. It shall be the duty of such vacant Churches thus supplied, to defray all the expenses incidental to such occasional services.

THE BISHOP'S TRUST FUND.

Resolved, That at the Episcopal visitations the offerings, after the Bishop's travelling expenses have been paid, be hereafter devoted to a Bishop's Trust Fund.—Convention, 1889.

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DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN
A. D., 1898.

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EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

The Rev. A. H. Locke, in charge of "The First Examination."
The Rev. C. R. Hodge, in charge of "The Second Examination."
The Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., in charge of "The Third Examination."
The Rev. C. D. Atwell, in charge of "The Examination of the literary qualification of a Postulant or Candidate, and of a Candidate for the office and ministration of a Deacon only."

The Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION EX-OFFICIO.

The Bishop, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the Registrar, the members of the Standing Committee and of the Board of Missions, and the following members elected by the Convention:
Mr. Fred. A. Gorham. Mr. Noah P. Loveridge.
Mr. W. J. Stuart.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

President—The Right Reverend, the Bishop.
Secretary—The Secretary of the Convention.
Treasurer—Mr. Frederick A. Gorham, Grand Rapids.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D.
The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D. The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
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CONVOCATIONS.

Grands Rapids—The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D., President. The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Secretary, Grand Rapids.
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SEMI-ANNUAL MISSIONARY MEETING AND DIOCESAN CHURCH CONFERENCE.

Secretary and Treasurer—Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Benton Harbor.

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The Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D.
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The Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., Grand Haven.
Mr. J. M. Parsons, Marshall.
Mr. C. R. Wilkes, Allegan.
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The Reverend Woodford P. Law, Grand Rapids.
Mr. George Willard, Battle Creek.

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For Domestic Missions—The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Benton Harbor.
For Foreign Missions—The Rev. A. H. Locke, Grand Rapids.
Nashotah House—The Rev. W. E. Wright, B. D., Big Rapids.
Church House, London, England—Hon. Diocesan Secretary, Rev. John Sword, Manistee.

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THE FREE AND OPEN CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

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Chaplain—Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.
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For Five Years—Mr. H. C. Akeley, Mr. William B. Williams, Mr. David Hening.
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For Two Years—The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Rev. Wm. H. Osborn, Mr. George W. McBride.
For One Year—Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D., Mr. Dwight Cutler, Mr. William Savidge.
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A LIST OF THE CLERGY.

In the Order of their Canonical Residence.

THE RT. REV. GEORGE DE NORMANDIE GILLESPIE, D. D.

Consecrated February 24, 1875.

NAME.	RECEIVED.	FROM WHAT DIOCESE.
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, A. B.	Dec. 2, 1874	Michigan
The Rev. Moseley Morris	Dec. 2, 1874	Michigan
The Rev. John Newton Rippey, M. D.	Nov. 30, 1884	Southern Ohio
The Rev. J. Rice Taylor, M. A.	Feb. 20, 1885	Vermont
The Rev. Henry Hughes	Sept. 6, 1886	Michigan
The Rev. Woodford P. Law	Nov. 26, 1887	Iowa
The Rev. Albert E. Wells, B. D.	April 3, 1888	Nebraska
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.	April 17, 1888	Central New York
The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D.	Oct. 15, 1889	Iowa
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	Feb. 21, 1890	Nebraska
The Rev. Marcus H. Martin, A. M.	Jan. 15, 1891	Ohio
The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne	Feb. 25, 1892	Ohio
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff	Oct. 1, 1892	Michigan
The Rev. W. E. Wright, B. D.	Mar. 28, 1893	Long Island
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D.	May 5, 1893	Long Island
The Rev. William Westover	May 22, 1894	Quincy
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.	Feb. 7, 1894	Southern Ohio
The Rev. Sydney Beckwith	Aug. 14, 1894	Michigan
The Rev. Carl G. Oppen, D. D.	Oct. 21, 1894	Milwaukee
The Rev. Herbert Sowerby	Mar. 26, 1895	Shanghai
The Rev. William Lucas	June 4, 1895	The Platte
The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall	Dec. 22, 1895	Ordination
The Rev. Artemas Wetherbee	Nov. 5, 1896	Michigan
The Rev. Chas. R. Hodge	Dec. 3, 1896	Indiana
The Rev. Herman P. Vicborn	Dec. 7, 1896	Texas
The Rev. J. W. Armstrong	Jan. 28, 1897	Ohio
The Rev. Arthur H. Locke	Feb. 4, 1897	Albany
The Rev. Charles D. Atwell	May 21, 1897	Central New York
The Rev. J. E. Walton	Jan. 18, 1898	Florida
The Rev. John Newton McCormick	Feb. 1, 1898	Georgia
The Rev. Frederick Hall	Mar. 2, 1898	Michigan
The Rev. George Forsey	April 2, 1898	Michigan
The Rev. John Sword	May 24, 1898	Fond du Lac

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A LIST OF THE CLERGY.

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN, JUNE 1, 1898.

Those marked * are not entitled to seats in the Convention. Constitution, ART. III. Those marked with † were not present.

BISHOP.

The Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese (Consecrated St. Matthias' Day, February 24th, A. D., 1875.) Episcopal residence, 162 Fountain Street, Grand Rapids.

PRESBYTERS.

Armstrong, Jean Weslau, Missionary, Emmanuel Church, Petoskey; Christ Church, Charlevoix; St. John's, Harbor Springs. January 28, 1897.

Atwell, Charles David, Rector Emmanuel Church, Hastings. May 21, 1897.

Bancroft, Joseph Webb, A. B., General Missionary, Kalamazoo Convocation, P. O., Hastings. December 2, 1874.

†Beckwith, Sidney B. D., August 14, 1894.

Brown, Lewis, B. D. Rector St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek. February, 7, 1894.

Claiborne, Robert Roane, Rector St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo. February 25, 1892.

*Forsey, George, Rector St. Paul's Church, Muskegon, in charge of St. Luke's Mission. April 2, 1898.

Gairdner, Robert Hutchins Fortescue, Rector Grace Church, Grand Rapids. February 21, 1890.

Hall, Frederick, Rector Trinity Church, Niles. March 2, 1898.

Hodge, Charles Russell, Assistant Minister of St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids. December 3, 1896.

*†Hughes, Henry, P. O., Coldwater. September 6, 1886.

Law, Woodford Prentiss, General Missionary, Grand Rapids Convocation, Grand Rapids. November 26, 1887.

Locke, Arthur Herbert, Rector St. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids. February 4, 1897.

Lucas, William, Rector Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan. June 4, 1895.

Mendenhall, Cyrus, Chaplain State House of Correction, Ionia, December 22, 1895.

McCormick, John Newton, B. A., Rector of St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids. February 19, 1898.

†Morris, Moseley, P. O., Kalamazoo. December 2, 1874.

†Oppen, Carl Emil Ludwig George, P. O., Milwaukee. October 21, 1894.

Rippey, John Newton, M. D., Missionary St. John's Church, Mt. Pleasant; St. Paul's Church, Greenville, P. O., Mt. Pleasant. November 30, 1884.

Sowerby, Herbert, Rector St. Mark's Church, Coldwater. March 26, 1895.

Stout, Charles T., M. A., Rector Grace Church, Traverse City and Missionary Church of the Redeemer, East Jordan; St. Matthias, Central Lake, P. O., Traverse City. January 7, 1898.

*Sword, John, Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Manistee. May 24, 1898.

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†Taylor, Joash Rice, M. A., P. O., Saugatuck. February 20, 1885.
Thomas, William Howell, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Ionia, and in charge of Grace Mission, Lyons. May 5, 1893.
Van Antwerp, William Henry, D. D., Rector and Missionary, Grace Church, Holland. October 15, 1889.
Vicborn, Herman Playford, Rector St. James' Church, Albion. December 7, 1896.
†Walton, Jeremiah Evarts, in charge of Trinity Church, Marshall. January 1898.
*Wells, Albert Emory, P. O., Traverse City. April 3, 1888.
Westover, William, Rector and Missionary Grace Church, Ludington. May 22, 1894.
Wetherbee, Artemas, Missionary St. Stephen's Church, Schoolcraft and Trinity, Three Rivers, P. O. Vicksburg. November 5, 1896.
Wilkinson, James Edward, Ph. D., Chaplain Akeley Institute and in charge of St. John's Church, Grand Haven. April 17, 1888.
Woodruff, Montgomery Schuyler, B. A., Missionary Holy Trinity Church, Benton Harbor and St. Paul's Mission, St. Joseph, P. O., Benton Harbor. October 1, 1892.
†Wright, William Edward, A. M., B. D., Rector St. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids. March 28, 1893.

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

DELEGATES TO THE DIOCESAN CONVENTION,

WHO WERE PRESENT AND WERE HEARD TO ANSWER TO THEIR NAMES.

Battle Creek, St. Thomas,' Mr. George Willard, Mr. A. T. Metcalf, Mr. Charles F. Bock.
Coldwater, St. Mark's, Mr. Noah P. Loveridge.
Grand Haven, St. John's, Mr. Wm. J. Biggar, Mr. Lewis Gorham.
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's, Mr. Wm. J. Stuart, Mr. F. A. Gorham, Mr. A. C. Torrey.
Grand Rapids, Grace, Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.
Hastings, Emmanuel, Mr. David G. Robinson.
Homer, Christ, Mr. John M. Bayes, Mr. Levi B. Tompkins.
Ionia, St. John's, Mr. E. T. Montgomery.
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's, Mr. J. Davidson Burns, Mr. R. H. Buckhout, Mr. David Fisher.
Marshall, Trinity, Mr. James M. Parsons.
Mendon, St. Paul's, Mr. Norman Harrison.
Niles, Trinity, Mr. Charles S. Quimby, Mr. Frederic B. Eaglesfield.
Sturgis, St. James,' Mr. George W. Harris, Jr.

A LIST OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

PARISHES.

Albion..... St. James'
Allegan.....Good Shepherd
Battle Creek.....St. Thomas'
Big Rapids.....St. Andrew's
Coldwater..... St. Mark's
Elk Rapids..... St. Paul's
Grand Haven.....St. John's
Grand Rapids .....St. Mark's
Grand Rapids.....St. Paul's
Grand Rapids .....Grace
Grand Rapids.....Trinity
Hastings.....Emmanuel
Holland..... .....Grace
Homer .....Christ's
Ionia ....St. John's
Kalamazoo .....St. Luke's

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Ludington.....Grace
Marshall.....Trinity
Manistee.....Holy Trinity
Mendon.....St. Paul's
Muskegon.....St. Paul's
Niles.....Trinity
Saugatuck.....All Saints'
Traverse City.....Grace
Union City.....Grace

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Baldwin.....St. Matthew's
Benton Harbor.....Holy Trinity
Cassopolis.....St. James'
Central Lake.....St. Matthias'
Charlotte.....Grace
Charlevoix.....Christ
Coopersville.....Epiphany
Dowagiac.....St. Alban's
East Jordan.....Redeemer
Grand Rapids.....St. Beda's
Grand Rapids.....St. John's
Grand Rapids....St. Matthew's
Greenville.....St. Paul's
Harbor Springs.....St. John's
Hart.....St. Andrew's
Luther.....Christ
Lyons.....Grace
Mancelona.....Nativity
Muskegon.....St. Luke's
Mt. Pleasant.....St. John's
Newaygo.....St. Mark's
Pentwater.....St. James'
Petoskey.....Emmanuel
Paw Paw.....St. Mark's
Quincy.....St. John's
Rockford.....St. James'
Three Rivers.....Trinity
Sturgis.....St. James'
St. Joseph.....St. Paul's
Tustin.....St. Johannes'
Whitehall.....Redeemer

THE CONVOCATIONS.

KALAMAZOO.

President—Rev. Wm. Lucas, Allegan.

Secretary—Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D., Battle Creek.

GRAND RAPIDS.

President—Rev. W. H. Thomas, D. D., Ionia.

Secretary—Rev. Woodford, P. Law, Grand Rapids.

List of Parishes, and when admitted to the Convention, and of Missions and of their date of organization.

Kalamazoo Convocation—Population, 334,198.

PARISHES.

Albion, St. James'	Admitted	1840
Allegan, *Good Shepherd	"	1860
Battle Creek, *†St. Thomas'	"	1842
Coldwater, †St. Mark's	"	1848
Hastings, †Emmanuel	"	1864
Homer, Christ	"	1841
Kalamazoo, *†St. Luke's	"	1838
Marshall, *Trinity	"	1836
Mendon, St. Paul's	"	1867
Niles, *Trinity	"	1834
Saugatuck, All Saints	"	1869
Union City, Grace	"	1865

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ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	Organized	1882
Cassopolis, ‡St. James'	"	1891
Charlotte, Grace	Reorg'niz'd	1888
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	Organized	1897
Quincy, St. John's	"	1882
Sturgis, ‡St. James'	"	1890
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	"	1891
Three Rivers, Trinity	"	1896
St. Joseph, ‡St. Paul's	"	1896

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Otsego, Schoolcraft, Portland.

SUSPENDED PARISHES.

Kalamazoo, St. John's	Date of Suspension	1884
St. Joseph, ¶Christ	"	1879
Burr Oak, Grace	"	1880
Paw Paw, ¶St. Mark's	"	1891
Three Rivers, ¶Trinity	"	18..

SUSPENDED MISSIONS.

South Haven, Trinity	Date of Suspension	1884
Plainwell, Trinity	"	1883
Eaton Rapids, St. Matthias'	"	1891

¶Organized as Missions.

GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION—Population, 483,031.

PARISHES.

Big Rapids, *St. Andrew's	Admitted	1873
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	"	1871
Grand Haven, *†St. John's	"	1866
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	"	1836
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	"	1872
Grand Rapids, *Grace	"	1879
Grand Rapids, Trinity	"	1886
Holland, Grace	"	1868
Ionia, †St. John's	"	1841
Ludington, Grace	"	1883
Muskegon, *†St. Paul's	"	1867
Manistee, *Holy Trinity	"	1889
Traverse City, Grace	"	1877

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Baldwin, *St. Matthew's	Organized	1879
Coopersville, Epiphany	"	1877
Charlevoix, Christ	"	1887
Central Lake, St. Matthias'	"	1893
East Jordan, Redeemer	"	1887
Greenville, St. Paul's	"	1881
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	"	1893
Harbor Springs, St. John's	"	1883
Hart, St. Andrew's	"	1897
Luther, Christ	"	1896
Lyons, Grace	"	1898
Mancelona, Nativity	"	1896
Mt. Pleasant, *St. John's	"	1886
Muskegon, St. Luke's	"	1890
Newaygo, St. Mark's	"	1876
North Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's	"	1892
Pentwater, *St. James'	"	1877

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Petoskey, Emmanuel	"	1887
Rockford, St. James'	"	1887
South Grand Rapids, St. John's	"	1892
Tustin, St. Johannes'	"	....
Whitehall, Redeemer	"	1892

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Grand Ledge, Reed City, Sherman, Frankfort, Clare.

SUSPENDED PARISHES.

Courtland, St. Paul's	1877
Plainfield, Christ	1877
¶Greenville, St. Paul's	1879
¶Whitehall, Redeemer	1891

SUSPENDED MISSIONS.

Howard City	1884
Evart, St. Paul's	1891
Stanton, Grace	1892
Farwell, Trinity	1882
Hersey, Grace	1892

¶Organized Missions.

*Has a Rectory. †Has both Church and Chapel. ‡Has a room.

TOTAL—Parishes, 25; Organized Missions, 31; whole number of places where services are held, 61.

Table of population by Counties and Convocations, according to State Census of 1894.

KALAMAZOO CONVOCATION.

Allegan	39,189	Cass	21,176
Barry	23,699	Eaton	32,618
Berrien	45,685	Kalamazoo	42,056
Branch	26,207	St. Joseph	25,087
Calhoun	47,472	Van Buren	31,059

Total Population ..... 334,198.
Increase since 1890 ..... 11,660.

GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION.

Antrim	12,427	Manistee	26,114
Benzie	8,063	Mason	18,422
Charlevoix	11,843	Mecosta	20,729
Clare	7,976	Missaukee	6,955
Emmet	10,382	Montcalm	34,158
Grand Traverse	17,515	Muskegon	37,324
Isabella	21,439	Oceana	16,599
Ionia	34,820	Newaygo	19,125
Kalkaska	5,640	Osceola	1,806
Kent	121,938	Ottawa	39,083
Lake	6,505	Wexford	11,278
Leelenaw	9,395		

Total 483,031
Increase since 1890 10,600
Rate of increase ..... 2½ per cent.
Rate of increase of Communicants ..... 11 1-9 per cent.

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JOURNAL.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH., June 1, 1898.

The Clergy of the Diocese of Western Michigan and the Lay Delegates elect to the twenty-fourth annual Convention of the Diocese, met in St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, on Wednesday, June 1, 1898, at half past eight o'clock for Morning Prayer, which was said by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. J. N. McCormick, the Rev. John Sword and the Rev. Frederick Hall.

After prayers, the Convention came to order at the call of the Bishop.

The Secretary read Article V of the Constitution and Canon I, Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 pertaining to membership in the Convention.

The Roll of the Clergy was called from a list furnished by the Bishop, and the following were found to be present and answered to their names:

Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D.
The Rev. Jean Weslau Armstrong.
The Rev. Charles David Atwell.
The Rev. Joseph Webb Bancroft.
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.
The Rev. Robert Roane Claiborne.
The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner.
The Rev. Frederick Hall.
The Rev. Woodford Prentiss Law.
The Rev. Arthur Herbert Locke.
The Rev. William Lucas.
The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall.
The Rev. John Newton McCormick.
The Rev. John Newton Rippey, M. D.
The Rev. Herman Playford Vicborn.
The Rev. William Westover.
The Rev. Artemas Wetherbee.
The Rev. James Edward Wilkinson, Ph. D.
The Rev. Montgomery Schuyler Woodruff.
The Rev. William Henry Van Antwerp, D. D.
The Rev. Charles T. Stout.
*The Rev. Herbert Sowerby.

*[Not present at the first Roll call.]

Twenty-one answered to their names.

The names of Clergy not entitled to seats were called and the following answered to their names:

The Rev. George Forsey.
The Rev. John Sword.
The Rev. Albert Emory Wells, B. D.

The Bishop presented a list of the Parishes and Organized Missions in the Diocese. [For list see page 10–11.]

The Treasurer of the Diocese presented the following list of Parishes and Missions entitled to representation in the Convention, according to the Constitution:

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Allegan, Good Shepherd.
Battle Creek, St. Thomas.'
Coldwater, St. Mark's.
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's.
Grand Haven, St. John's.
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's.
Grand Rapids, Grace.
Hastings, Emmanuel.
Holland, Grace.
Homer, Christ.
Ionia, St. John's.
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's.
Ludington, Grace.
Marshall, Trinity.
Mendon, St. Paul's.
Muskegon, St. Paul's.
Niles, Trinity.
Saugatuck, All Saints.'
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity.
Cassopolis, St. James.'
Charlevoix, Christ.
East Jordan, Redeemer.
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's.
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's.
Harbor Springs, St. John's.
Luther, Christ.
Mancelona, Nativity.
Muskegon, St. Luke's.
Pentwater, St. James.'
Rockford, St. James.'
Sturgis, St. James.'
Tustin, St. Johannes.'

The Roll of the Parishes and Organized Missions was called and the credentials of the Lay Delegates-elect were presented.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Charles D. Atwell and the Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall a Committee on Credentials to report to the Convention after the Celebration of the Holy Communion.

Recess was taken till ten o'clock.

The Convocations of Kalamazoo and of Grand Rapids met during the recess to prepare their reports.

WEDNESDAY, 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. J.W. Bancroft, J. N. Rippey, M. D. and the Rector, the Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.

The Bishop delivered his annual address. [See Appendix.]

The Convention came to order, the Bishop in the Chair.

The Committee on Credentials presented its report.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials respectfully reports that it has examined and found correct the credentials from the following Parishes and Missions:

Battle Creek, St. Thomas'—George Willard, Charles F. Bock, A. T. Metcalf. *Alternates*—W. D. Campbell, F. C. Stillson, Wm. Anderson.

Coldwater, St. Mark's—N. P. Loveridge, Alfred Milnes, E. R. Root. *Alternates*—Samuel Pollock; H. P. Woodward; J. T. Stair.

Elk Rapids, St. Paul's—Horatio B. Lewis.

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's—Wm. R. Shelby, Wm. J. Stuart, F. A. Gorham. *Alternates*—J. W. Champlin, J. K. Campbell, A. C. Torrey.

Grand Rapids, Grace—Jacob Kleinhans, George Luther, J. Coffinbury.

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Grand Haven, St. John's—W. F. Biggar, J. N. Reynolds, E. Stanton Bliss. *Alternates*—Louis Gorham, Wm. F. Summers, Charles Christmas.

Hastings, Emmanuel—D. G. Robinson, M. W. Riker, John S. Goodyear. *Alternates*—J. A. Van Arman, J. M. Hewes, Ira Van Valkenburg.

Homer, Christ—John M. Bayes, Levi B. Tompkins. *Alternates*—D. B. Kirby, John H. Masten.

Ionia, St. John's—E. T. Montgomery, James Vosper. *Alternates*—R. H. Bedford, Oscar Dean.

Kalamazoo, St. Luke's—J. Davidson Burns, R. H. Buckhout, A. J. Mills. *Alternates*—E. S. Rankin, David Fisher, F. W. Clark.

Ludington, Grace—Fayette Johnson, Frederic Asa Brown. *Alternates*—E. J. Brown, Guy F. Sperry.

Marshall, Trinity—James M. Parsons, Louis S. Joy. *Alternates*—L. E. Galley, Wm. J. Dibble, W. E. Bosley.

Muskegon, St. Paul's—James Gow, S. S. Morris, James Snow. *Alternates*—Charles W. Yates, Wm. Heap, Hugh J. Minhinnick.

Niles, Trinity—John H. Richardson, Alonzo W. Silsbee, Charles S. Quimby. *Alternates*—Louis H. Beeson, Tyler A. Swain, Frederic E. Eaglesfield.

Mendon, St. Paul's—Norman Harrison.

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity—William Hamilton. *Alternate*—George Falkinham.

Muskegon, St. Luke's—Alfred Bullock.

Sturgis, St. James'—George W. Harris, Jr.

Whitehall, Redeemer—H. L. Lochlin.

Signed, CYRUS MENDENHALL,
CHARLES D. ATWELL,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The Secretary proceeded to call the Roll of Lay Delegates and the following answered to their names:

Battle Creek, St. Thomas'—Messrs. George Willard, A. T. Metcalf, Charles F. Bock.

Coldwater, St. Mark's—Mr. Noah P. Loveridge.

Elk Rapids, St. Paul's—Mr. Horatio B. Lewis.

Grand Haven, St. John's—Messrs. W. J. Biggar, Lewis Gorham.

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's—Messrs. Wm. J. Stuart, F. A. Gorham, A. C. Torrey.

Grand Rapids, Grace—Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.

Hastings, Emmanuel—Mr. David G. Robinson.

Homer, Christ—Messrs. John M. Bayes, Lewis B. Tompkins.

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Ionia, St. John's—Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery.
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's—Messrs. J. Davidson Burns, R. H. Buckhout, David Fisher.
Marshall Trinity—Mr. James M. Parsons.
Mendon, St. Paul's—Mr. Norman Harrison.
Niles, Trinity—Messrs. Charles S. Quimby, Frederic E. Eaglesfield.
Sturgis, St. James'—Mr. George W. Harris, Jr.

A constitutional number being present, the Bishop declared the Twenty-Fourth Annual Convention duly opened, "In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

The Committee on Credentials presented the defective credentials as follows:

The following named Parishes are found to be in arrears to the Diocese and therefore not entitled to representation in the Convention.
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's. Petoskey, Emmanuel. Greenville, St. Paul's. St. Joseph, St. Paul's.
CYRUS MENDENHALL,
CHARLES D. ATWELL,
Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., the ballot of the members of the Convention was cast by the Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., for the Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., for Secretary for the ensuing year.

The Secretary appointed the Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., Assistant Secretary, which was approved by the Convention.

The Bishop appointed Mr. Jacob Kleinhans, Chancellor of the Diocese, which was approved by the Convention.

The Rules of Order came up for adoption.

The following amendments were presented by the Rev. Woodfrod P. Law: Resolved, That Rule of Order 11th be transferred and made the Rule of Order 9th. Rule of Order 9th be made the Rule of Order 10th and Rule of Order 10th be made the Rule of Order 14th.

Resolved, That Section III, third paragraph, line 4, be changed to read, "the election shall be the first business in order on the second morning of the Convention."

The first resolution was adopted changing the numbering of the Rules of Order.

The second resolution was lost.

The Rules of Order as amended were adopted as follows:

RULES OF ORDER.

OF THE OPENING OF THE CONVENTION AND THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. Each session of the Convention shall be opened with prayer; the morning session with the Daily Morning Prayer. On the first day the Order of Business shall be as follows: Provided, that

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when the first session of the Convention is an evening session, this order may be proceeded with as far as judged convenient, and resumed the next morning.

1st. The President having taken the chair, the Convention shall be called to order, and the Secretary of the preceding Convention (or, in his absence, the Secretary *pro tempore*, to be elected *viva voce*) shall call out the names of Clergymen, entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter into the JOURNAL the names of those who are present.

2d. The names of the Parishes and Missions entitled to representation shall be called, and the Lay Delegates from each shall present their certificates of election, which shall be referred to a committee of two clergymen to report thereon.

3d. On the acceptance of their report, the Roll of the Lay delegates elected shall be called, and the President shall declare the Convention organized.

4th. Irregular and defective certificates shall be reported to the Convention, which shall decide on the admission of the delegates therein named.

5th. A Secretary shall be elected by ballot, who may appoint an assistant, subject to the approval of the Convention.

6th. If the Treasurer of the Convention be absent, a Treasurer *pro tempore* shall be elected *viva voce*.

7th. The President shall appoint the following Standing Committees;

On Admission of Parishes and Missions into Union with the Convention—consisting of two clergymen and one layman.

On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen—consisting of three laymen.

On the Report of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan —consisting of two clergymen and three laymen.

On the Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions—consisting of two clergymen and three laymen.

On Unfinished Business—consisting of one clergyman and two laymen.

On Christian Education and Akeley Institute—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

On Canons—consisting of two clergymen and two laymen.

On Church Literature—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

On State of the Church—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

8th. The reports of the Standing Committees, the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of the Convention and of the fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, shall then be presented and referred to the appropriate committees.

9th. The Bishop's address shall then be in order.

10th. The report of the Standing Committee on unfinished business shall then be presented.

11th. The Parochial reports shall be presented to the Bishop when he sees fit to call for them.

12th. Miscellaneous business.

13th. Wednesday evening of the Convention shall be devoted to a general missionary meeting for reading the report of the Board of Missions, delivering addresses and to transact any other business which may promote missionary zeal and work in the Diocese.

SECTION 2. On the second and each subsequent day the Order of Business shall be as follows:

1st. The roll of the clergy and lay delegates called.
2d. Reading the minutes of the previous day.
3d. Elections.
4th. Reports of the Standing Committees in their order in Rule 7th.
5th. Reports of Special Committees.

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6th. Miscellaneous business.

SECTION 3. On the first morning of the Convention, immediately before the mid-day recess, shall be made nominations for Treasurer of the Convention, Registrar of the Diocese, Standing Committee, Board of Missions, Members of the Association of the Diocese of Western ichMigan, other than the *ex-officio* members of such Association, not exceeding ten in number, and the number to be fixed by resolution before the nominations are made, and in that year in which a General Convention is to be held, Deputies to the General Convention and Members of the Missionary Council.

Nominations for Supplemental Deputies to the General Convention shall not be made until after the Deputies have been elected. When nominations are made for any office, the names shall be recorded in the order in which they are presented.

The Secretary shall cause all names proposed for any office to be printed on separate tickets, and the voting shall be by erasing the names of those for whom the members do not wish to vote. Separate ballots shall be taken for each office, and the election shall be the order of the day from 4 o'clock of that afternoon.

SECTION 4. In case the Bishop shall withdraw from the sittings of the Convention, he shall appoint a Presbyter to preside during his absence.

2d. Before the final adjournment of the Convention, the minutes of the session about to close shall be read and corrected, and signed by the President, and attested by the Secretary.

3d. No resolution shall be entertained until it shall have been reduced to writing; and no motion shall be considered as before the Convention until it is seconded, and when seconded it shall be stated by the President.

4th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received unless to lay it on the table, to postpone to a certain time, to postpone indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. A motion to adjourn and a motion to lay on the table shall be always in order, and shall be decided without debate.

5th. A question being decided, it shall not be reconsidered at the same annual session without the consent of two-thirds of the members present; nor without a motion being made by one of the majority on the prior decision.

6th. Every member present when a motion is put shall vote thereon, unless excused by the Convention.

7th. On the requisition of any two members, the yeas and nays shall be called and entered on the JOURNAL. (Concerning the vote by orders, see Constitution, Article VIII.)

8th. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention; and when he may deem it advisable, he may appoint, on a committee to report to the next Convention, a person qualified to be a delegate who is not a member of the Convention.

9th. When a member desires to speak, he shall arise and address the President in an audible voice. If more than one member arises, the President shall determine the preference.

10th. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without leave of the Convention.

11th. No member shall withdraw from the Convention without leave asked and voted.

Nominations being in order, the following members were nominated for the various offices named:

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TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery.

REGISTRAR.

The Rev. Albert E. Wells, B. D.

STANDING COMMITEE—CLERICAL.

The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne.
The Rev. John Newton McCormick.
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.
The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner.
The Rev, Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D.
The Rev. Joseph W. Bancroft,
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff.
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D.
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.

LAY.

Mr. J. Davidson Burns.
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.
Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Mr. L. M. Bayes.
Mr. George Willard.
Mr. J. M. Parsons.
Mr. H. B. Lewis.

On motion of the Rev. Wm. Lucas, the nominations for the Board of Missions were deferred until after the report of the Committee on "Raising Pledges for Diocesan Missions," to the Convention this evening.

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION—CLERICAL.

The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne.
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.
The Rev. A. H. Locke,
The Rev. William Lucas.
The Rev. John Newton McCormick.
The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner.
The Rev. Charles T. Stout.
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.
The Rev. Wm. H. VanAntwerp, D. D.
The Rev. Woodford P. Law.
The Rev. Montgomery S. Woodruff.
The Rev. John N. Rippey, M. D.

LAY.

Mr. Horatio B. Lewis.
Mr. David G. Robinson.
Mr. Noah P. Loveridge.
Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery.
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.
Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Mr. George Willard.
Mr. William R. Shelby.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.

Recess was taken till two o'clock, p. m.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, TWO O'CLOCK.

The Litany was said by the Rev. George Forsey.

The Convention came to order, the Bishop in the Chair.

On motion of the Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner, the Rev. Albert E. Wells was admitted to a seat in the Convention.

The Chair appointed the following Standing Committees of the Convention:

ON ADMISSION OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

The Rev. Messrs. M. S. Woodruff and William Westover. Messrs. Jacob Kleinhans and Noah P. Loveridge.

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ON ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION AND OF THE FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.

Messrs. Horatio B. Lewis, A. T. Metcalf, Charles F. Bock.

ON THE REPORT OF THE THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

The Rev. Messrs. Robert R. Claiborne, R. H. Fortescue Gairdner and Messrs. R. H. Buckhout, J. M. Parsons and F. E. Eaglesfield.

ON THE REPORT AND ACCOUNTS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Rev. Messrs. Lewis Brown, B. D. and Charles D. Atwell, and Messrs. E. T. Montgomery, W. J. Biggar and G. W. Harris, Jr.

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, and Messrs. J. M. Bayes and Lewis Gorham.

ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND AKELEY INSTITUTE.

The Rev. Messrs. A. H. Locke, Herbert Sowerby, J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., and Messrs. George Willard and Charles S. Quimby.

ON CANONS.

The Rev. Messrs. J. W. Armstrong and Charles T. Stout and Messrs. L. B. Tompkins, J. Davidson Burns and Wm. J. Stuart.

ON CHURCH LITERATURE.

The Rev. Messrs. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D., H. P. Vicborn and Artemas Wetherbee, and Messrs. David Fisher and F. E. Eaglesfield.

ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Rev. Messrs. Wm. Lucas, J. W. Bancroft and Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., and Messrs. Wm. J. Stuart and A. C. Torrey.

The Secretary read the following communication from the Diocese of Michigan:

APRIL 25, 1898.

RT. REV. GEORGE D. GILLESPIE, D. D.,
Bishop of Western Michigan.

RT. REV. AND DEAR BISHOP: At the last annual convention of the Diocese of Michigan, held in Jackson, on the 9th and 10th of June, 1897, we, the undersigned, were appointed a committee charged with the duty of requesting the Dioceses of Western Michigan and Marquette to appoint committees, respectively, if it shall seem to them desirable so

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to do, who shall be empowered, in conference with us, to draft an amendment to the State Law concerning the organization of Protestant Episcopal Churches, so as to make it possible for a parish annually to elect one-third of its vestry. We therefore respectfully beg to make this request of the Diocese of Western Michigan through you.

The action thus far taken in the matter by the Diocese of Michigan is shown by the following report of the committee made to the last convention (page 29 of the Journal of the 63d Annual Convention of the Diocese of Michigan):

Report of the Committee on the proposed amendment to the State Law concerning the organization of Parishes:

"The committee appointed at the last Convention to consider the advisability of securing an amendment of the State Law concerning the organization of Protestant Episcopal Churches, so as to make it possible for a parish annually to elect one-third of its vestry, and to report upon the same to this Convention, begs leave to enter the following as its report:

"The committee has considered the question submitted to it, and is of the opinion that it is desirable to secure the modification of the State Law proposed in the question at as early a date as practicable. Inasmuch as the Church in the State is organized in three Dioceses, and it would require the concurrent action of the three Dioceses in any movement looking to a change of the State Law which would effect the parishes of the Church throughout the State, your committee would recommend that a committee be appointed to bring the matter of the proposed legislation to the attention of the Dioceses of Western Michigan and Marquette, and that the said committee be empowered, acting in conjunction with like committees on the part of the other Dioceses of the State, should they be appointed, to draft an amendment of the State Law which would make it possible for a parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church annually to elect one-third of its vestry, and that the said committee be required to report to the Convention of this Diocese the results of its labors, it being understood that no proposition to change the Law shall be made to the State Legislature until after it shall have been approved by the Convention of this Diocese."

On motion (page 55 on the same Journal), the committee suggested in the report was ordered and we were appointed such committee.

It may not be amiss for us to say that the chief object which it is desired to secure by the proposed legislation is the preventing of the throwing out of a whole vestry at one time.

Trusting that the matter which we thus have the honor of submitting to the Convention of your Diocese may be deemed by it worthy of consideration and of favorable action, we remain, with great respect,

Truly yours,

HENRY TATLOCK,
SIDNEY D. MILLER,
WILLIAM C. MAYBURY,
ELIOT G. STEVENSON,
SAMUEL POST.

Attest: HENRY TATLOCK,
Chairman.

Which was referred to the Committee on Admission of Parishes and Missions into Union with the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Albert E. Wells, so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the State Law in regard to the organization of parishes was referred to the Committee on Admission of Parishes.

The Committee on Admission of Parishes had permission to retire to consider the subject submitted to them.

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The Bishop read his diary of visitations. [See appendix.]

The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., offered the following resolutions of reference:

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to Akeley Institute be referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

Which was adopted.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the change of a Mission into a Parish be referred to a Committee of one Clergyman and two Laymen.

Which was adopted.

Resolved, That so much as refers to the repeal of the "Act for the Incorporation of Protestant Episcopal Churches" be referred to the Committee on Admission of Churches into Union with the Convention.

Which was adopted.

Resolved, That so much as refers to the "Settlement of the Clergy in Parishes" be referred to a Committee of three Clergymen and two Laymen to report to the next Convention.

Which was adopted.

Resolved, That so much as refers to the "progress of the year" be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church."

Which was adopted.

Resolved, That so much as refers to larger aid from the Missions in sustaining services be referred to the Committee on the Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions.

Which was adopted.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the repeal of the Act under which the Association of the Diocese is incorporated be referred to the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

Which was adopted.

The Rev. Charles T. Stout offered the following amendment to the Canons:

Resolved, That Canon VI, Section 1 be changed to read: "In every incorporated Church of this Diocese, there shall be an annual election on the first Monday or Tuesday after the first Sunday in Advent, etc.

Also, in order to harmonize with this, that Canon XVIII, Sec. 3 (I) be made to read: "They shall be elected by ballot annually, during the week after the first Sunday in Advent, etc.

Which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., presented and read the report of the Standing Committee.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western Michigan for 1897-8 beg to report to the Convention that said Committee, organized on the 3d day of June, 1897, by the election of Rev. R. R. Claiborne, President and Rev. Philip W. Mosher, Secretary.

Upon the subsequent removal of Mr. Mosher from the Diocese, Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp was appointed Secretary.

The Committee have held six meetings. They have made appropriations for Aged and Disabled Clergy and supplied the vacancy in their number during the resignation of the Rev. P. W. Mosher by the election of the Rev. J. W. Bancroft.

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They have considered and approved applications as Candidates for Holy Orders, Mr. Eben P. S. Miller and Mr. Norman Harrison; also the Canonical application of the Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall for Priest's Orders.

The Committee have also granted consent to the consecration of the Rev. Chauncey Bunce Brewster, D. D., as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Connecticut; of the Rev. Robert Atkinson Gibson, as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Virginia; the Rev. William Neilson McVicker, D. D., to be Coadjutor of the Diocese of Rhode Island, and the Rev. W. M. Brown, as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Arkansas.

The Committee have also given their consent as required by Canon, to the election of the Rev. Ethelbert Talbot, D. D., Missionary, Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho, to the Bishopric of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

The Standing Committee asks for passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Diocesan Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the traveling expenses of the members of the Standing Committee who attend its duly convened meetings for the year ending May 31, 1899.

Signed,

W. H. VAN ANTWERP, Sec'y.

The report was accepted and the appended resolution was adopted.

Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery, Treasurer of the Convention, presented and read his report.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 1st, 1898.

ETHAN T. MONTGOMERY, Treasurer.

In account with the Diocese of Western Michigan, Dr.

1898			
May 31.	Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	$162 74	In full.
	Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	14 00	In part.
	Cassopolis, St. James'	1 82	In full.
	Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	1 98	"
	Grand Haven, St. John's	34 42	"
	Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	327 51	"
	Grand Rapids, Grace	69 29	"
	Greenville, St. Paul's	20 98	In part.
	Hastings, Emmanuel	12 50	"
	Holland, Grace	33 56	In full.
	Homer, Christ's	2 14	In part.
	Harbor Springs, St. John's	16 31	In full.
	Ionia, St. John's	96 56	"
	Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	198 76	"
	Ludington, Grace	28 20	"
	Manistee, Holy Trinity	9 63	In part.
	Marshall, Trinity	67 06	In full.
	Mendon, St. Paul's	8 84	"
	Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	22 93	In part.
	Muskegon, St. Paul's	82 00	In full.
	Niles, Trinity	83 42	"
	Pentwater, St. James'	4 96	"
	Petoskey, Emmanuel	59 84	In part.
	St. Joseph, St. James'	6 94	"
	Sturgis, St. James'	22 03	In full.
	Three Rivers, Trinity	4 57	In part.
	Traverse City, Grace	14 00	"

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May 31.	Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	$ 17 66
	Allegan, Good Shepherd	52 53
	Muskegon, St. Luke's	2 69
	Hastings, Emmanuel	51 20
	Coldwater, St. Mark's	63 03
	Balance on hand at last report	270 78
	Total received,	$1864 88

1897. DISBURSEMENTS.

June 3.	Paid to Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Attendance Standing Com	Voucher	1.	$ 1 00
	Paid to Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., on account of Salary	"	2.	50 00
	Paid to Pages of Convention	"	3.	5 00
	Paid to Sexton St. John's Church, Ionia,	"	4.	5 00
	Paid to express charges on Books to Grand Rapids	"	5.	25
28.	Paid to Rev. R. R. Claiborne, Attendance Standing Committee	"	6.	2 00
	Rev. Lewis Brown, Attendance Standing Committee	"	7.	2 50
30.	Paid to Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Attendance Standing Committee	"	8.	90
July 20.	Paid to Premium on Treasurer's Bond	"	10.	5 00
31.	Paid to Rev. P. W. Mosher, Attending Standing Committee	"	9.	1 50
Aug. 20.	Paid to Stanton Printing Co., (2 bills)	"	11.	231 06
	Paid to Rev. J. N. Rippey, Bill for Postage	"	12.	10 00
Oct. 8.	Paid to Rev. P. W. Mosher, Attending Standing Committee	"	13.	2 95
	Paid to Rev. Lewis Brown, Attending Standing Committee	"	14.	70
	Paid to Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, Attending Standing Committee	"	15.	2 55
11.	Paid to Mr. J. Kleinhans, Attending Standing Committee	"	16.	2 65
Nov. 5.	Paid to Mr. F. A. Gorham, Treasurer Association of Diocese	"	17.	200 00
Dec. 3.	Paid to Rev. J. N. Rippey, Balance of Salary	"	18.	50 00
16.	Paid to Rev. R. R. Claiborne, Attending Standing Committee	"	19.	2 50
1898.				
Jan. 5.	Paid to Rev. Lewis Brown, Attending Standing Committee	"	20.	70
Mar. 2.	Paid to Mr. F. A. Gorham, Treasurer Association of Diocese	"	21.	200 00
30.	Paid to Mr. F. A. Gorham, Treasurer Association of Diocese	"	22.	200 00
Apr. 11.	Paid to Mr. F. A. Gorham, Treasurer Association of Diocese	"	23.	200 00
13.	Paid to Mr. F. A. Gorham, Treasurer Association of Diocese	"	24.	200 00
22.	Paid to Rev. Lewis Brown Attendance on Standing Committee	"	25.	70
25.	Paid to Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, Attendance on Standing Committee	"	26.	1 80

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May 4.	Paid to Mr. F. A. Gorham, Treasurer Association of Diocese	Voucher	27.	$150 00
	Paid to Printing and Postage, Bills order of Rev. J. N. Rippey	"	28.	7 93
18.	Paid to Mr. F. A. Gorham, Treasurer Association Diocese	"	29.	100 00
	Paid to Treasurer's Expense Bill	"	30.	6 60
	Balance on hand			221 59
				$1864 88

AMOUNTS DUE FROM PARISHES UPON ASSESSMENTS AT DATE MAY 30TH, 1898.

Parish.	Prior to 1893.	1893-4.	1894-5.	1895-6.	1896-7.	1897-8.	Total
Albion, St. James'				$10 00	$17 17	$18 83	$46 00
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's				10 14	12 86	35 40	58 40
Charlotte, Grace			$21 57	34 35	.....	1 50	57 42
G'd Rapids, Trinity	$131 72	.....	57 57	57 50	69 00	57 50	373 29
" St. John's	.....	.....	.....	14 84	5 22	4 60	24 66
" St. Paul's	$167 10	.....	54 80	30 90	55 70	50 95	359 45
Greenville, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 50	4 50
Manistee, Holy Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 88	28 88
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 43	.....	8 43
Newaygo, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	4 07	9 70	5 02	18 79
Petoskey, Emmanuel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 50	29 50
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	$78 00	1 87	.....	50	.....	3 10	83 47
Quincy, St. John's	7 97	7 67	6 56	6 56	4 33	94	34 03
Three Rivers, Holy Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 76	.....	2 76
Traverse City, Grace	$160 03	16 22	19 12	4 12	16 66	.....	216 15
Union City, Grace	46 74	.....	2 54	.....	11	10 03	59 42
Central L., St. Matthias'	.....	.....	.....	3 15	.....	.....	3 15
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 32	2 32
Totals	$591 56	25 76	162 16	176 13	201 94	252 07	1409 62

PARISHES THAT HAVE PAID IN FULL.

Battle Creek, St. Thomas.'
Cassopolis, St. James.'
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's.
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's.
Grand Haven, St. John's.
Grand Rapids, Grace.
Holland, Grace.
Harbor Springs, St. John's.
Ionia, St. John's.
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's.
Ludington, Grace.
Marshall, Trinity.
Mendon, St. Paul's.
Muskegon, St. Paul's.
Niles, Trinity.
Pentwater, St. James.'
Sturgis, St. James.'
Allegan, Good Shepherd.
Benton Harbor, Trinity.
Muskegon, St. Luke's.
Hastings, Emmanuel.
Whitehall, Redeemer.
Coldwater, St. Mark's.
Homer, Christ.
Luther, Christ.
Mancelona, Nativity.
Grand Rapids, St. Matthias.'
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's.
Tustin, St. Johannes'.
Saugatuck, All Saints.
Rockford, St. James'.
East Jordan, Redeemer.
Charlevoix, Christ.

LIST OF PARISHES NOT CONTRIBUTING TO FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY.

Albion, St. James.'
Charlotte, Grace.
Three Rivers, Holy Trinity.
Traverse City, Grace.

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Grand Rapids, Trinity.
Grand Rapids, St. John's.
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's.
Hastings, Emmanuel.
Manistee, Holy Trinity.
Muskegon, St. Luke's.
Newaygo, St. Mark's.
Paw Paw, St. Mark's.
Quincy, St. John's.
Union City, Grace.
Central Lake, St. Matthias.'
St. Joseph, St. Paul's.
Cassopolis, St. James.'
Grand Rapids, Grace.
Harbor Springs, St. John's.
Ludington, Grace.
Niles, Trinity.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

ETHAN T. MONTGOMERY, Treasurer.
In account with Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, Dr.

1897.	To Balance on hand at last Report			$409	74
Nov. 29,	Received from Offering, Grace, Holland			2	00
Dec. 27,	"	"	Mrs. E. H. Clark, St. Joseph, Mo.	1	00
	"	"	Offering, Trinity, Marshall	8	31
	"	"	" St. Paul's, Greenville	3	70
	"	"	" St. John's, Ionia	4	11
28,	"	"	" Grace, Holland	4	15
	"	"	" St. John's, G'd Haven	6	27
30,	"	"	" St. Andrew's, B. R'ds	3	00
	"	"	" St. James,' Sturgis	2	57
	"	"	" St. James', Pentwater	1	00
31,	"	"	" St. Mark's, Coldwater	3	50
	"	"	" St. Paul's, Mendon	1	15
	"	"	Missionary Family	3	00
	"	"	Offering, St. Luke's, Kalamazoo	33	00
1898.					
Jan. 1,	"	"	" St, Thomas, Battle Cr'k	8	70
5,	"	"	" St. John's, Mt. Pleasant	1	55
7,	"	"	" St. Mark's, G'd Rapids	34	98
11,	"	"	" St. James Mis., R'ckf'd	1	30
	"	"	" Christ's, Charlevoix	1	23
17,	"	"	" Holy Trinity, Benton H.	1	00
28,	"	"	" Good Shepherd, Alleg'n	8	00
Feb. 5,	"	"	" Emmanuel, Petoskey.	2	70
15,	"	"	F. A. Gorham, Treasurer Income on Investments	100	00
Apr. 13,	"	"	A. B. Taylor	2	50
15,	"	"	Offering, St. Paul's, Elk Rapids	5	62
May 23,	"	"	F. A. Gorham, Treasurer Income on Fund	134	15
	"	"	St. Stephen's School	1	00
24,	"	"	Offerings, St. Paul's, Muskegon	4	13
			Total Received		$793 36

DISBURSEMENTS.

By Stipends,' Balance on last year, Vouchers 1 and 6	$	50 00
" " Current Year Vouchers, 2, 4, 5, 6, to 14 inclusive	400	00
By Postage	$	50
Balance to new account	342	86
Total		$793 36

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The Report was accepted and referred to the Committee on the Accounts of the Convention.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was deferred to evening session at the Missionary Meeting.

Mr. F. A. Gorham, Treasurer, presented the following report of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

BATTLE CREEK, June 1, 1898.

To the Convention:

The Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan respectfully presents the report of its Treasurer as showing the financial transactions of the past year, and the present condition of the various funds in its charge. This report is made by the Association to the Convention in compliance with the requirements of Section 4, Canon IX.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

GRAND RAPIDS, MAY 31, 1898.

To the Trustees of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

I respectfully submit the following report of the various funds in my hands in compliance with requirements of the By-Laws of the Association.

EPISCOPAL FUND.

The amount is unchanged from last report.		$35581 62
Made up of the following items:		
Episcopal residence	$11000 00	
Real estate acquired by foreclosure of Stormzand mortgage	2901 85	
Real estate acquired by foreclosure of Hayes mortgage	617 85	
Loans secured by mortgages	19685 55	
Cash for investment	1376 37	
		$35581 62

The cash receipts and disbursements were as follows:

RECEIPTS.

1897.			
June 1.	Cash on hand from last report	$1552 86	
Oct. 15.	Received on principal, F. D. Yale mortgage	200 00	
			$1752 86

DISBURSEMENTS.

June 4.	Paid Drury and Strong for services and expenses in foreclosure of Stormzand mortgage, Voucher No. 1	$46 50	
June 29.	Paid taxes as follows on Stormzand property: Lake Avenue Sewer tax, Voucher No. 2	88 74	
	Fulton street grading tax, Voucher No. 3.	55 30	
June 29.	City taxes for 1896, Voucher No. 4	$14 17	
	State, County and School taxes for 1896, Voucher No. 5	12 03	

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July 7.	Paid W. J. Stuart for services and expenses in foreclosure of James P. Hayes mortgage, Voucher No. 6.....	59 75	
1898.			
Mar. 3.	Paid for N. R. Peterson mortgage, bought from Sturgis, Lyons and Decatur funds.	100 00	
May 31.	Cash on hand.....	1376 37	
			$1752 86

The income account was as follows:

RECEIPTS.

1897.			
June 2.	Cash on hand.....	$44 72	
1898.			
May 31.	From interest on loans.....	1260 02	
	From rents.....	570 00	
	From E. T. Montgomery, treasurer, for assessments.....	1150 00	
			$3024 74

DISBURSEMENTS.

1897.			
July 7.	Paid Perkins & Boer, premium on $1500 insurance, 3 years on Stormzand property, Voucher No. 7	$14 20	
July 29.	Paid City and Highway taxes for 1897, on Stormzand property, Voucher No. 8....	15 38	
	Paid City and Highway taxes for 1897, on Hayes property, Voucher No. 9	4 26	
Aug. 27.	Paid Mrs. H. Stormzand for painting rooms, Voucher No. 10.....	3 50	
Oct. 19.	Paid Seymour & Muir Printing Co., for printing, Voucher No. 11	1 25	
1898.			
Jan. 4.	Paid State, County and School tax for 1897, on Stormzand property, Voucher No. 12	15 57	
	Paid State, County, and School tax for 1897, on Hayes property, Voucher No. 13	3 91	
8.	Paid City and Highway taxes for 1897 on Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 14...	62 25	
	Paid State, County and School tax for 1897 on Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 15	64 58	
	Paid J. S. Crosby & Co., for premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 16	16 85	
	Paid Seymour & Muir Printing Co., for 200 letter heads, Voucher No. 17	1 50	
1896.			
Feb. 26.	Paid taxes of 1895, on Hayes property, Voucher No. 18	10 10	
May 31.	Paid George D. Gillespie for salary, viz: balance due on last year's account, $200; on current year's account, $2600; Vouchers 19 to 25 inclusive.....	2800 00	
			$3113 35
	Cash on hand.....	$11 89	

For the first year since we have owned the Episcopal residence, taxes are assessed against it and the amount, $126.83, was paid under protest. No provision had been made in the assessments on Parishes and Missions for this expense.

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The income of 1898-9, is estimated at.....			$2000 00
Balance due on Bishop's salary for last year	$400 00		
Salary for current year	3000 00		
Taxes on Episcopal residence.....	120 00		
Repairs to Episcopal residence.....	100 00		
		$3620 00	
Deficit to be raised by assessment.....			$1620 00

PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

The amount is unchanged from last report, And is composed of:			$7051 84
Mortgage loans	$3525 00		
Real estate	467 48		
Cash on hand.....	3059 36		
		$7051 84	

The real estate was acquired in settlement of loan to Angeline Goossen, $400. To avoid expense and delay of foreclosure, owner conveyed the property to the Association in consideration of cash payment of $50, and the value shown above represents the original loan, the cash payment and certain taxes paid by us. The property consists of a house and lot in Grand Rapids, in good repair, and which is rented for $4 per month, enough to pay taxes and insurance, and 8 per cent. interest on cost of property to us.

The receipts and disbursements have been as follows:

RECEIPTS.

1897.			
June 2.	Cash on hand	$3001 84	
Nov. 23.	From Calista Myers, payment of principal of mortgage.....	125 00	
1898.			
May 31.	From rents.....	18 00	
	" interest on loans.....	195 85	
	" interest on bank deposits.....	90 00	
			$3430 69

DISBURSEMENTS.

1897.			
Nov. 15.	By taxes and expenses paid on lot 10 block 1 W. C, Bradford's addition, Grand Rapids, acquired from Angeline Goossen, as follows:		
	State and County taxes, 1895, Voucher No. 26.....	$9 92	
	State and County taxes, 1896, Voucher No. 27.....	3 08	
	City taxes, 1897, Voucher No. 28.....	3 53	
	Bringing down abstract, Voucher No. 29.	15	
	Recording deed, Voucher 30.....	65	
	Tax Certificate, Voucher No. 31	15	
	Paid Angeline Goossen for Warranty deed of above described property. See deed with title papers.....	50 00	
1898.			
Jan. 10.	Paid State and County tax, 1897, on same property, Voucher No. 32.	3 14	

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Jan. 7.	Paid premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 16	$4 80	
Feb. 15.	Remitted D. G. Robinson, Treasurer Board of Missions, Voucher No. 33	155 35	
Apr. 16.	Paid for repairs, house 361 North Avenue, Voucher No. 34	3 00	
May 21.	Remitted D. G. Robinson, Treas. Board of Missions, Voucher No. 35	137 56	
31.	Cash on hand	3059 36	
			$3430 69

AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

1897.			
June 2.	Amount per last report	$5178 54	
1898.			
Jan. 7.	Received from Bishop Gillespie, being donation made by Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Van Deusen, of Kalamazoo, to this fund	150 00	
	Total fund		$5328 54
	Composed as follows:		
	Mortgage loans	4986 00	
	Cash	322 54	
	Income over-remitted	20 00	
			$5328 54

RECEIPTS.

1897.			
June 2.	Cash on hand	$592 54	
1898.			
Jan. 8.	Received donation from Dr. and Mrs. Van Deusen	150 00	
May 31.	Received from interest on loans	217 50	
			$960 04

DISBURSEMENTS.

1898.			
Jan. 7.	Paid premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 16	$ 3 35	
Feb. 15.	Remitted E. T. Montgomery, Treasurer, Voucher No. 36	100 00	
Mar. 12.	Loaned to J. N. Rippey, secured by mortgage	400 00	
May 21.	Remitied E. T. Montgomery, Treasurer, Voucher 37	134 15	
	Cash on hand	322 54	
			$960 04

SUNDRY TRUST FUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

1897.			
June 2.	Cash on hand per last report	$ 636 20	
22.	Interest credited at Peoples Savings Bank on account of various funds	3 54	
	Received on account of interest on loan to East Jordan from Rectory Building Fund	8 85	
	Received on account of principal of same loan	6 15	
Aug. 7.	Received on account of interest on loan to Pentwater from Rectory Building Fund	15 00	
	Received on account of principal of same loan	4 27	
Aug. 11.	Received balance of interest from Pentwater	28	

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Dec. 31.	Received on principal of N. P. Peterson mortgage		$75 00	
1898.				
Jan. 7.	Interest credited at Peoples Savings Bank on account of various funds		4 41	
14.	Received from Rev. W. P. Law collected for rent of church and rectory at Baldwin		11 00	
Feb. 4.	Received on account of principal of loan to Pentwater from Rectory Building Fund.		36 00	
	Received interest on same loan		4 00	
Feb. 10.	Received interest on N. R. Peterson mortgage for Sturgis, Lyons and Decatur funds		15 00	
Mar. 3.	Received balance of principal same mortgage, sold to Episcopal Fund		100 00	
4.	Interest credited at People's Savings Bank on Sturgis, Lyons, and Decatur Funds.		71	
May 20.	Rcceived from E. T. Montgomery, Treas., assessment for insurance and tax fund.		100 00	
27.	Received from George D. Gillespie for 1 years' interest on $1000 loan to Akeley Institute credited to Sturgis fund	1 40		
	Lyons Fund	6 20		
	Decatur	3 00		
	Eaton Rapids	24 00		
	Baldwin	3 80		
	Stanton	1 60	40 00	
28.	Received from Woman's Guild, St. Mark's Church Paw Paw, to apply on insurance premium paid Nov. 1, 1897, from insurance and tax fund		12 00	
				$1072 41

DISBURSEMENTS.

1897.				
Sep. 2.	Remitted R. J. Matthews to pay for repairs to Rectory, at Baldwin, Voucher No. 38		$ 16 45	
Nov. 1.	Remitted to E. F. Parks, agent, for premium on insurance on Church, at Paw Paw, $1000, 2 years, Voucher No. 39		24 00	
9.	Remitted to R. J. Matthews to pay bill for repairs on Church at Baldwin, Voucher No. 40		41 24	
1898.				
Jan. 24.	Paid Geo. S. Smith for shelving in Diocesan Library Building Room, Voucher No. 41		4 78	
Mar. 4.	Remitted to S. R. Webber Jr., Treasurer Grace Mission, Lyons, being a part of fund held on account of Lyons, Voucher No. 42		156 41	
	Remitted Mrs. B. J. Randall, for premium on insurance on Church and Rectory at Baldwin, Voucher No. 43		7 00	
May 21.	Remitted D. G. Robinson, Treas. Board of Missions, balance of income Rectory Building Fund on hand this date, Voucher No. 44		42 07	
31.	Cash on hand		780 46	
				$1072 41

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SUMMARY OF SUNDRY TRUST FUNDS.

Rectory Building Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$1413 94	
Received for interest on loans	28 13	
	$1442 07	
Remitted to D. G. Robinson, Treasurer	42 07	
		$1400 00
Sturgis Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$65 15	
Received for interest	3 63	
		$68 78
Lyons Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$300 62	
Received for interest	16 99	
	$317 61	
Remitted to S. R. Webber, Jr.. Treasurer	156 41	
		$161 20
Diocesan Library Building Fund—		
Amount per last report	$38 26	
Received for interest	1 54	
	$39 80	
Paid for shelving	4 78	
		$35 02
Decatur Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$144 30	
Received for interest	8 08	
		$152 38
St. Matthias, Eaton Rapids Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$656 57	
Received for interest	25 51	
		$682 08
St. Matthew's, Baldwin Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$113 84	
Received for interest	4 22	
Received for rents	11 00	
		$129 06
Paid for repairs to Rectory $16 45		
Paid for repairs to Church 41 24		
Paid for insurance 7 00	$64 69	
		$64 37
Grace, Stanton Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$46 91	
Received for interest	1 84	
		$48 75
Bush Memorial Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$23 05	
Received for interest	92	
		$23 97
St. Paul's, Elk Rapids, Endowment Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$13 28	
Received for interest	43	
		$13 71
St. Paul's, Mendon, Endowment Fund		
Amount as per last repoft	$8 66	
Received for interest	28	
		$8 94

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Paw Paw Lake Resort, Chapel Fund—			
Amount as per last report		$5 00	
Received for interest		22	
			$5 22
Evart Fund—			
Overdraft as per last report			$12 63
Insurance Fund—			
Received from assessments		$100 00	
Received from Paw Paw on account		12 00	
			$112 00
Paid overdraft as per last report	$ 75		
Paid for insurance at Paw Paw	24 00	$24 75	
			$87 25
Net amount of Special Funds			$2739 04
Composed as follows:			
Loan to Akeley Institute on account of			
Sturgis Fund	$35 00		
Decatur Fund	75 00		
Lyons Fund	155 00		
Eaton Rapids Fund	635 00		
Baldwin Fund	60 00		
Stanton Fund	40 00		
		$1000 00	
Loans on account of Rectory Building Fund:			
To St. James' Mission, Pentwater	$89 73		
" Mission of Redeemer, East Jordan	93 85		
" St. Paul's, Mendon	275 00		
" Akeley Institute	500 00		
		$958 58	
Cash on hand for account of			
Rectory Building Fund	$441 42		
Sturgis Fund	33 78		
Lyons Fund	6 20		
Decatur Fund	77 38		
Diocesan Library Building Fund	35 02		
Baldwin Fund	4 37		
Insurance and Tax Fund	87 25		
Stanton Fund	8 75		
Bush Memorial Fund	23 97		
Elk Rapids Fund	13 71		
Eaton Rapids Fund	47 08		
Mendon Fund	8 94		
Paw Paw Lake Resort Chapel Fund	5 22		
	$793 09		
Less overdraft, Evart Fund	12 63	$780 46	$2739 04

DETAILED LIST OF SECURITIES HELD BY THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

FOR EPISCOPAL FUND.

Chas. L. Moran	Mortgage	6	per cent	$5212 55
Fred D. Yale	"	6	"	3000 00
Isadore N. White	"	7	"	1800 00
John M. Richens	"	7	"	1800 00
Ellen E. Camburn	"	7	"	1500 00
F. H. Gill	"	7	"	1200 00

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F. H. Gill	"	7	"	.....	$200 00	
John Schoffin	"	7	"	.....	1000 00	
Herbert Baker	"	7	"	.....	750 00	
James A. Rooney	"	7	"	.....	600 00	
George G. Van Houtum	"	7	"	.....	600 00	
G. F. Cole	"	7	"	.....	600 00	
Joseph J. Adams	"	7	"	.....	328 00	
H. L. Birdsall	"	8	"	.....	300 00	
S. Rogers	"	8	"	.....	285 00	
Asa N. Beal	"	8	"	.....	250 00	
L. K. Austin	"	10	"	.....	160 00	
N. R. Peterson	"	9	"	.....	100 00	
Total mortgages						$19,685 55
Episcopal residence					$11000 00	
Real Estate, Stormzand Property					2901 85	
do Hayes Property					617 85	
Total real estate						$14,519 70
Total Episcopal Fund						$34,205 25

FOR PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

John H. Bruist	Mortgage	7	per cent	.....	$700 00	
"	"	7	"	.....	700 00	
"	"	7	"	.....	100 00	
Russell Slade	"	7	"	.....	800 00	
William Booth	"	7	"	.....	400 00	
Charles P. Duston	"	7	"	.....	300 00	
Calista Myers	"	7	"	.....	125 00	
A. Leaderson	"	7	"	.....	200 00	
Rufus Hall	"	7	"	.....	200 00	
Total mortgages					$3,525 00	
Real Estate, Goossen property					467 48	
Total Permanent Missionary Fund						$3,992 48

FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

J. Clark Sproat	Mortgage	7	per cent	.....	$1200 00	
"	"	7	"	.....	800 00	
Calvin E. Stone	"	7	"	.....	1000 00	
Russell Slade	"	7	"	.....	800 00	
Julius S. Ward	"	7	"	.....	576 00	
John N. Rippey	"	6	"	.....	400 00	
Permelia Pollock	"	7	"	.....	210 00	
Total Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund						$4986 00

FOR RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

S. B. Minshall, Trustee Pentwater	Mortgage	7	per cent	.....	$ 89 73	
Akeley Institute	Note	7	"	.....	500 00	
D. C. Loveday, et al., East Jordan	Note	8	"	.....	93 85	
St. Paul's Church, Mendon,	Deed			.....	275 00	
Total Rectory Building Fund						$958 58

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FOR SUNDRY SPECIAL FUNDS.

Akeley Institute	Note	4 per cent	$1,000 00

PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST.

The values being those given in Parochial Reports, Journal of 1897:

Baldwin, Deed from W. L. Webber	$ 400 00
Benton Harbor, deed from W. L. Stewart, et al. Trustees, insurance $1500, expiring March 5, 1901.	3500 00
Central Lake, deed from J. N. Rippey, Trustee	800 00
Charlevoix, deed from James A. Gellick	1700 00
Coopersville, deed from Samuel C. Graham	200 00
East Jordan, deed from John Nichols, insurance $500, expiring June 29, 1898.	1500 00
Eaton Rapids, deeds from various persons, insurance $1200, expiring April 23, 1899. This property has been sold for $900, of which $602 has been paid.	900 00
Elk Rapids, deeds from R. W. Bagot and Dexter & Noble, insurance $3000, expiring June 6, 1898	5000 00
Evart, deed from W. F. McDermott, et al	No report.
Grand Rapids, St. John's, deed from R. Bynon, et al	$4000 00
Greenville, deed from M. Rutan, et al., insurance $1000, expiring July 1, 1899	1500 00
Harbor Springs, deed from A. J. Southard, insurance $2000, expiring September 15, 1898	2500 00
Luther, deed from Catherine W. Sprague, insurance $500, expiring December 21, 1899	150 00
Mancelona, deed from Charles Nelson, insurance $1000, expiring March 14, 1901	No report.
Mount Pleasant, deed from Minnie K. Brown, insurance $1300, expiring February 16, 1901	2500 00
Muskegon, St. Luke's, deed from J. N. Rippey, Trustee, insurance $400, expiring January 5, 1901	1500 00
Paw Paw, deed from Maria N. Gremps, insurance $1200, expiring November 1, 1900	1400 00
Pentwater, deed from John W. Loomis, insurance $1000, expiring April 25, 1899	2500 00
Petoskey, deed from H. O. Rose, et al., insurance $1500, expiring July 6, 1899	6000 00
Quincy, deed from Samuel C. Mowry	1200 00
Rockford, deed from Neal McMillen, insurance $500, expiring November 21, 1900, and $500, expiring July 2, 1898	1500 00
Schoolcraft, deed from Caroline L. Stewart, insurance $1000, expiring January 22, 1899	2000 00
Three Rivers, deed from Henry C. Taylor	3000 00
Whitehall, deed from Vestrymen, Church of Redeemer, insurance $1000, expiring November 16, 1899	3000 00
Total Property held in Trust	$46,750 00

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., May 28th, 1898.

The undersigned lay members of the Standing Committee, acting as a Board of Auditors by appointment of the Convention of 1876 (page 39 Journal of 1876) do hereby certify that we have examined the securities in the hands of the Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan as set forth in the foregoing lists, and find them correct as stated therein.

WM. J. STUART.
JACOB KLEINHANS.

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The Report was received and referred to the Committee on the Accounts of the Association of the Diocese.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported by the Rev. Woodford P. Law.

REPORT ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Your Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully reports that they find the following matters awaiting action:

1. The commission appointed to consider the Parochial Boundaries in Grand Rapids should report to the Convention. See Journal page 37. Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Chairman.
2. The Committee on Diocesan Library should report. See Journal pages 56, 57.
3. The Committee on Delinquent Assessments and Mission Pledges should report. See Journal page 57.
4. The Committee on Raising and reporting Pledges for Diocesan Missions should report. See Journal page 57.
5. A report would seem to be in order from the Committee on Communications of the Secretary of the General Convention. Journal pages, 33, 42.
6. Your Committee is in doubt as to the action taken with regard to the resolution printed at the bottom of page 39 of the Journal.

WOODFORD P. LAW.
LEWIS A. GORHAM.
JOHN M. BAYES.

The Report was accepted.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was taken up by items.

Item 1. The Committee on Parochial Boundaries reported by the Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D.

REPORT OF COMMISSION ON PAROCHIAL BOUNDARIES IN GRAND RAPIDS.

(pp. 39 and 37 Journal of the Convention of 1897.)

The Commission appointed to consider the Parochial Boundaries of Grand Rapids, report that they have duly considered the subject assigned to them, and after consultation with the Rectors and Wardens of the Churches in Grand Rapids, would say that, the Commission find that the matter of Boundaries concerned chiefly the relation of St. Paul's Church to any Mission that might be organized on the west side of Grand River in the city of Grand Rapids, that no Mission is organized or proposed to be organized there at present, and the Commission deem any attempt at fixing a general system of Parochial Boundaries in Grand Rapids is inexpedient at this time. They are of the opinion that in the event of any Mission proposed to be organized in any neighborhood where there is an incorporated Church or Churches in union with this Convention, provision for such action is already made by Canon XVIII, Sec. 1, of the Diocese of Western Michigan. They recommend that for the present that portion of Grand Rapids, west of the River be considered the Parochial bounds of St. Paul's Church.

Signed, W. H. VAN ANTWERP.
A. E. CALKINS.

The recommendation was stricken out.

The Report as amended was accepted.

The Committee on Diocesan Library, reported by the Rev. William Lucas.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIOCESAN LIBRARY.

This Committee, I regret to say, has but little to report.

A letter was written by the Chairman of this Committee several months ago to the "Church Helper" explaining the purposes and needs of the Diocesan Library.

Our Bishop has expressed his generous purpose to increase the Diocesan Library by the gift of books from his own library, at some future time.

A printed catalogue is an imperative need, but there seem to be no funds at command to print such a catalogue. The Committee would commend this item to some generous minded person, so that the Clergy and laymen of the Diocese might have in their possession the means of finding out what books the Library contains. And at some future time a supplemental list may be published.

Several matters that might have been mentioned by this report are included in the report of the Registrar. The Committee recommend that a Committeee on the Diocesan Library be continued.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. LUCAS, Chairman.
H. P. VICBORN.

The report was accepted.

Item III. The Committee on Delinquent Assessments was not ready to report.

Item IV. The Committee upon Raising Pledges for Missionary Purposes was not ready to report.

Item V. The Committee on Communications from the Secretary of the General Convention, reported by the Rev. J. N. Rippey.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS.

The Committee on Communications from the General Convention to this Convention respectfully report that the General Convention makes known that several amendments to the Constitution are proposed.

FIRST. Strike out the title and insert in place thereof the following: "Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that portion of the Catholic Church known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

SECOND. Insert in place of Articles 1, 2 and (three) 3 "Constitutions I, with seven sections."

Sec. 1 says "Either the House of Bishops or the House of Deputies may originate and propose legislation." The right to originate and propose now belongs to the House of Bishops.

The other sections are mainly an orderly arrangement of matters somewhat promiscuously thrown together in the 1st, 2d and 3d articles of the Constitution as it now stands.

The third, fourth and fifth resolutions are amendments to Article 5 of the Constitution defining the conditions under which new dioceses may be erected, and providing for the cession by a Diocese of a part of its territorial jurisdiction to the General Convention, the other communications from the General Convention refers to changes to be made in the Golden Numbers prefixed to several days in the calendar.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee.

SIDNEY BECKWITH.
J. N. RIPPEY.

The report was accepted.

The following memorial of the Diocese of Florida was read by the Assistant Secretary.

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THE ANNUAL COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE OF FLORIDA.

Held in the City of Pensacola on the 4th and 5th days of May, A. D., 1898, respectfully memorializes the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, appointed to assemble in the City of Washington on the 5th day of October, A. D., 1898:

That Canon 19, Paragraph III, be amended by omitting all after the word "to" at the end of the 6th line, down to the word "to" in the 13th line, so that the same shall read:

"III. [§] If during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops with the testimonials relating thereto, or in case of his death to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States, excepting those whose resignations have been accepted, and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop without delay shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent, and on his acceptance the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials."

That Section 2 be repealed.

Your memorialists offer as reasons for such change:

a. That in consequence of the wide extent of territory in these United States, and the rapidly increasing numbers of Dioceses, and the infrequent meetings of the respective Standing Committees now numbering 60, great delay is caused in communicating with each standing committee and awaiting their reply, and then communicating with the Bishops, now numbering 85, and awaiting their reply, thus depriving the diocese of the Bishop elect of Episcopal supervision for a very long period of time.

b. Because the confirmation of the action of a Diocese on the election of a Bishop ought of right, and according to the ancient usage of the Church should be, referred to his peers, the Bishops of the Church.

c. Because the present process of first referring the question to the Standing Committees, takes the question entirely out of the hands of the Bishops if the Standing Committees decline to confirm the election, giving to the Bishops of the Church no voice in the matter unless a majority of the Standing Committees affirm the election; thus impairing the proper position of the Bishops in this Church, and making their voice secondary in reference to the choice of one who is to become a member of the House of Bishops.

d. Because it takes from the Bishops of the Church the responsibility which they should bear, as to the fitness and learning of those chosen as chief Pastors in this Church.

e. Because no useful purpose is subserved by this circuitous method of confirmation by the Standing Committees, which experience has shown is a mere *pro forma* act, often based upon insufficient investigation or examination, and only becomes a matter of interest when a dissatisfied minority desire to appeal from the decision of their Diocesan Councils, and then *ex parte* statements confuse the question.

Resolved, That the Clerical and Lay Deputies of the Diocese of Florida, elected to represent the Church in Florida in said General Convention be instructed to present this memorial and the accompanying syllabus to said Convention.

Which was received. No action was taken.

The Assistant Secretary read the following communica-

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tion from Mr. Albert E. Neely, the Secretary of the General Clergy Relief Fund.

CHICAGO, May 5, 1898.

To the Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop, and to the Clerical and Lay Members of the Diocesan Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

DEAR BRETHREN: A few months since a prominent Church Clergyman, the Rev. Theodore I. Holcombe, of New York, in an interesting article in the Church press, showed that the General Clergy Relief Fund of the Church could be greatly aided if the Clergy themselves would become contributors to it to the extent of at least $1.00 per annum. Very many Clergymen have written to me to the same effect, and have urged me to bring the matter to the attention of the Clergy. This I shall gladly do, and know of no better way to accomplish this object than through the several Diocesan Conventions, if kindly permitted to avail myself of this channel.

I had hoped that I might be able to be present at your coming Convention, but finding that I shall not probably be able to afford myself this happiness on account of several engagements at the East during the early part of June, I have asked the Rev. Woodford P. Law to represent me on that occasion, and he has very kindly consented to do so.

The pledges which I have prepared are of such a nature that they can be discontinued at any time at the option of the maker, and I shall be very glad and thankful if a great number of these pledges can be obtained not only from the Clergy, but also from the lay delegates and all other friends of this good cause who may be in attendance at the Convention.

You will, I am sure, be rejoiced to learn that there seems to be a marked increase of interest throughout the entire Church in behalf of this beneficent "Fund," and should this continue to increase as of late, the time will soon come when the good brethren we are all so anxious to aid will be far more comfortably cared for than heretofore. God grant that it may be so!

With all best wishes, I am, Yours very truly,

ALBERT E. NEELEY.

No action was taken.

The Registrar, the Rev. Albert E. Wells, read his report.

REPORT OF REGISTRAR.

The Journals of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts have been received and placed on file. The volumes of the Churchman, The Living Church and The American Church Sunday School Magazine have been put in order and bound up to the current year. The Library has received by gift from the Rev. Woodford P. Law, five volumes; from Mrs. Burton, four volumes; from the Rev. Abraham Reeves, M. D., five volumes; making with the Periodicals bound an addition of twenty-five volumes during the year.

Additional shelving has been put up, adding very greatly to the Library's convenience. A thorough examination of the books has been made, and notice taken of missing books. A hunt for them is now in process, see April number of the Church Helper. In this work the Registrar was very greatly aided by the Bishop and by Mr. Terry, to whom he now gives public thanks.

I have expended for binding, supplies and postage, $11.95.

There is a balance on my hands of $2.61. The probable needs of the department will call for more; I therefore recommend the following resolution: *Resolved*, That $25.00 be appropriated to the Registrar's Department.

ALBERT E. WELLS, Registrar.

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The report was accepted and the resolution appended was adopted.

The Committee on Admission of Parishes and Missions made their report by Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.

The Committee on the Admission of Parishes and Missions to whom was referred the Communication from the Committee of the Diocese of Michigan asking the assistance of this Diocese to procure an amendment to the State Law concerning the organization of Protestant Episcopal Churches, so as to make it possible for a Parish annually to elect one-third of its vestry, respectfully report that the State Law adopted in 1857, under which most if not all our present churches have been organized, was repealed in 1897, with a proviso continuing said law in force, so as to preserve the corporate existence and rights of all churches then organized, but prohibiting the future organization of churches under that law. In view of this your Committee while arguing in principle with the proposed amendment, do not deem it advisable to amend the old law in the manner suggested. But your Committee would recommend that new legislation should be procured, if possible, to authorize the organization of Protestant Episcopal Churches, and that such new act should contain a provision to make it possible for a parish annually to elect one-third of its vestry. Your Committee recommend that a committee, of which the Bishop shall be Chairman, should be appointed by him, to represent this Diocese in obtaining such legislation.

Your Committee would also further recommend that the Act under which the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan was organized, which has also been repealed, should be re-enacted.

The Committee approves the recommendation of the Bishop that Missions be organized as Parishes as soon as possible.

The Committee further recommend the admission of Grace Mission, Lyons, into union with the Convention, upon the papers submitted.

M. S. WOODRUFF.
WM. WESTOVER.
JACOB KLEINHANS.
N. P. LOVERIDGE.

The hour for the election of officers having arrived the Convention proceeded with the election.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery, for Treasurer.

The Secretary cast the ballot as directed, and Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery was declared elected Treasurer of the Convention.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to cast the ballot of the Convention for the Rev. Albert E. Wells, as Registrar.

The Secretary cast the ballot as directed, and the Rev. Albert E. Wells was declared elected as Registrar of the Diocese.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Frederic Hall and Mr. David Fisher as Tellers upon the vote of the Convention for the Standing Committee.

The Tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the votes.

The subject of organization of Parishes came up for consideration.

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The Rev. J. N. McCormick offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee of Conference with the Dioceses of Michigan and Marquette upon the subject of State Legislation consist of the Bishop of the Diocese and two Laymen.

The Resolution was adopted.

The Chair appointed as Lay members of the Committee, Mr. Jacob Kleinhans and Mr. Albert Crane.

Mr. Jacob Kleinhans presented the following amendment: Strike out the last five lines on the first page of the report; which recommend the re-enactment of the law repealed by the Legislature. Which was adopted.

The report as amended was adopted with the recommendations.

These recommendations, as adopted, admit Grace Mission, Lyons, into union with the Convention and that the larger Missions, named by the Bishop, should be organized into parishes as soon as possible.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas presented and read the report on the State of the Church.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee on the State of the Church beg to make the following report:

There are in the Diocese 25 parishes, i. e., churches with parochial organizations, but several of these are weak, needing, and some receiving Missionary aid.

There are 30 others classed as organized, and 8 as unorganized Missions.

Most of these are under the care of the General Missionaries and therefore of necessity receiving infrequent services. Several of these Missions are places of considerable promise and ought to be supplied with more frequent services, and more minute pastoral supervision.

There are however, some serious difficulties in the way: 1st. The difficulty of obtaining suitable Clergy at the small stipends that can be paid. And 2nd, the rather unreasonable requirements as to the character of the Clergymen these think they ought to have. It is easy to see that a Church willing to pay anywhere from 100 to 500 dollars a year towards the salary and requiring a clergyman of great eloquence and learning, cannot be furnished with the class of men they think they ought to have.

And yet we think it is a paying policy so to try to manage our weaker Churches as to get for them the best men possible and then pay them a decent salary.

The manning of our weak but promising Missions with their own Clergyman, giving two or more places to each man is undoubtedly the best plan, but in the absence of the men, and a lack of Missionary funds it seems to be necessary to put a large number of places under the charge of General Missionaries. And however faithful and capable a General Missionary may be, his widely scattered territory makes it impossible to cultivate the field so that it shall produce results satisfactory either to him or to the Diocese.

The Committee does not wish to entrench upon the ground of the Diocesan Missionary Board's report. But this matter of manning our

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Missions and weaker Churches affects vitally the questions covered by the report of the state of the Church in this Diocese.

In pursuing the interests of our Church work along this line a little further, the Committee wishes to call the attention of the Clergy and Lay delegates to another matter of very great importance.

It was strongly enjoined by the founders of the Apostolic Churches, upon those Churches that the strong should help the weak. This policy is just as scriptural and just as necessary today. Our limited grant from the General Board which at any time is liable to be diminished or entirely cut off, leaves the chief burden of supporting our weak Churches and Missions upon the stronger Churches of the Diocese.

Are these doing their duty? It is no doubt easy to criticise the doings of the Diocesan Board in its management of the men and places under its care. And this Committee would recommend that a committee of laymen and clergymen from all the strong parishes of the Diocese meet in conference with the new Missionary Board, either at the close of this Convention or at the first meeting of the Board after the Convention.

This Committee would call attention to the importance of Bequests for the Episcopate endowment fund, for Aged and Infirm Clergy fund, for Diocesan missionary work and for Akeley Institute. So that these various needy and useful agencies may be able to do their work more efficiently.

In reference to the latter, viz: Akeley, it is not only an injustice to our Bishop that he should have to be perpetually worried because of the Institution's financial embarrassment, but it is still more improper that the Bishop should have to draw upon his own private means to help an Institution belonging to the Diocese, and which pre-eminently belongs to the laity of the Church in the Diocese. Have we men and women of means who also have hearts, we would appeal to them to relieve by generous gifts our aged and anxious Bishop, and also the capable and devoted principals of the Institution, Professor and Mrs. Wilkinson.

The Committee on the State of the Church deem it of special pertinence to call attention to the importance of gathering our young people together in societies for religious instruction and spiritual edification. There are two well known Church societies, the "St. Andrew's Brotherhood" and "The Daughters of the King." These are very admirable organizations and where parishes are reasonably strong so that there are enough young people of each sex to conduct an efficient organization these societies are preferable because of their being Church products.

But in the smaller Parishes and the stronger Missions where the young men and young women are not numerous, and only a limited number of boys and girls of sufficient age, it seems to be desirable to have some organization that will take in both sexes, and all the younger portion of the Congregation. [Here the Christian Endeavor Society provides a suitable organization, and with such changes in its working as a judicious Rector may make, can be made well adapted to the tastes and methods of our own Church. The Committee simply mentions this matter without any recommendation.]

Another matter which would no doubt contribute to the welfare of the Church in the Diocese is that a week's Mission be held in the Mission Churches, conducted by the General or local Missionary and assisted by some neighboring Rector. No doubt all our smaller and weaker Churches would be benefited by some such effort of a week's Mission service held by one or two Clergymen.

The Committee expresses, in conclusion, its pleasure that the parishes are now nearly all supplied with Clergymen of their own. And that the health of our worthy Bishop is preserved to him. Let the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese esteem it their pleasure as well as

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their duty to furnish him their loving helpfulness and their generous financial assistance. Respectfully submitted,

WM. LUCAS, Chairman.
J. W. BANCROFT.
W. H. VAN ANTWERP.
A. C. TORREY.
WM. J. STUART.

The report was accepted.

The question of the next place of meeting of the Convention came up for consideration.

The Rev. Charles T. Stout invited the Convention to meet in Grace Church, Traverse City.

The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner extended an invitation to meet in Grace Church, Grand Rapids.

The vote was taken on the invitation of Grace Church, Grand Rapids, and the invitation was accepted.

The hour was fixed at nine o'clock a. m., the first Wednesday in June, 1899.

The Convocation of Grand Rapids reported.

REPORT OF THE GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION.

The members of the Grand Rapids Convocation assembled in St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, June 1, 1898.

The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D., was elected President and the Rev. Woodford P. Law, Secretary.

After considering the advisability of forming a new Convocation in the northern portion of the Diocese the Convocation adjourned.

WOODFORD P. LAW, Secretary.

The Convocation of Kalamazoo reported.

REPORT OF THE KALAMAZOO CONVOCATION.

The Convocation of Kalamazoo met in St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, June 1, 1898 and elected as President for the ensuing year, the Rev. Wm. Lucas; Secretary, the Rev. Lewis Brown.

The Tellers of the election, the Standing Committee, made their report.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS.

Number of ballots cast, 41. Necessary to a choice, 21.

The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne	received	26.
The Rev. J. N. McCormick	"	27.
The Rev. Lewis Brown	"	27.
The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D	"	27.
The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner	"	20.
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft	"	10.
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff	"	3.
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D.	"	4.
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson Ph. D.	"	13.
The Rev. Arthur H. Locke	"	1.
Mr. J. Davidson Burns	"	36.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart	"	32.
Mr. F. A. Gorham	"	23.
Mr. H. B. Lewis	"	9.
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans	"	9.
Mr. L. M. Bayes	"	8.

Signed, FREDERICK HALL,
DAVID FISHER, Tellers.

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The following were declared elected members of the Standing Committee: The Rev. Bobert R. Claiborne, the Rev. J. N. McCormick, the Rev. Lewis Brown, the Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D.

Mr. J. Davidson Burns, Mr. Wm. J. Stuart, Mr. F. A. Gorham.

The Chair appointed the Rev. George Forsey and Mr. Horatio B. Lewis as Tellers upon the vote for Delegates to the General Convention.

The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the votes.

Mr. Wm. J. Stuart introduced the following:

Whereas, Mr. Chas. F. Bock on behalf of the Sanitarium, presented an invitation to attend a reception and banquet at the Sanitarium on Thursday evening, June 2nd, therefore be it

Resolved, That the invitation be accepted and that the thanks of the Convention be tendered the Sanitarium for its courtesy and hospitality.

Which was adopted and the Secretary was directed to send a copy to the authorities at the Sanitarium.

The Report on Christian Education was presented and read by the Rev. A. H. Locke.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Committee on Christian Education note with pleasure the wide diffusion of education among our people, the constant advance made in the methods of instruction and the improved facilities afforded in our schools and colleges. The question may perhaps be raised if some of our schools are not attempting too much and seriously overtaxing the pupils. Another question of the time is whether the constantly increasing number of students pursuing special courses in art, science or technology to the neglect of full scholastic training will not result in narrow one-sided intellectual development. It is well, perhaps, to recur often to the fundamental principle that education is primarily the development of the faculties, and that the acquisition of knowledge must ever be secondary to this and will in a measure care for itself. One hears but little of the humanities nowadays and much about the practical utility of various studies. Broad culture and well balanced intellects are, it is thought, preferable to the fruits of the Gradgrind system. The absolute religious value of secular education is, perhaps, debatable, certainly it will not do to assume that all education in professedly Christian lands is of necessity Christian or suited to the development of Christian character. It would sometimes seem to have the reverse tendency. That in the present divided state of Christendom any attempt to introduce into public institutions of learning anything more than a general recognition of Christianity would be injudicious, seems obvious. Those who desire a more pronounced religious training will be forced to look elsewhere. The fear of God, the influence of Godly teachers, habits of personal piety, and familiarity with the doctrine and usage of the church, seem to this Committee indispensable to a Christian Education. We beg to commend to all, the broad culture, refined tastes and Christian influence of our church schools.

Akeley Institute, our Diocesan school for girls, now in its tenth year, is felt to be an excellent church school under competent direction. The inception of school work is always difficult and our most successful

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schools have required both time and lavish outlay to reach their present efficiency. The most effective support for our schools and colleges has been practically found among their alumni. It is believed that it will be so with Akeley and that as the years go by the ever increasing number of its alumni will exert a wider influence and yield stronger support to their Alma Mater.

The following persons are nominated for the Trusteeship of Akeley Institute:

Mr. H. C. Akeley.
Mr. W. B. Williams.
Miss Rebecca L. Richmond.
Mrs. E. H. Van Deusen.
Rev. Lewis Brown.
Chas. R. Wilkes.
David Henning, Chicago.
Mrs. C. H. Palmer, Pontiac.
Rev. J. N. McCormick.
Silas I Godfrey.
Benjamin H. Edgerton, Chicago.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. LOCKE, Chairman.

The report was accepted and the recommendation for the Trusteeship of Akeley Institute adopted.

The Rev. Charles D. Atwell offered the following:

In view of the fact that Mr. David G. Robinson recently passed his eighty-seventh birthday and also considering his most faithful service to the Diocese in acting as Treasurer of the Board of Missions, for a period covering the life of the Diocese lacking two years; also, having five times represented the Church from Western Michigan in the General Convention, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Convention by a rising vote thank Mr. Robinson for these services.

While many pleasant remarks were being made by members of the Convention upon the subject of the resolution, the Rev. M. S. Woodruff offered this supplemental resolution.

Resolved, That the name of Mr. James M. Parsons, a delegate present in this Convention, a gentleman who, having reached his eighty-ninth year, occupies the office of Senior Warden in Trinity Church, Marshall be united with that of Mr. D. G. Robinson.

After some remarks by the Rev. Dr. Van Antwerp, both resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The Chair appointed the following Committees:

Committee on Clerical Settlement—The Rev. J. N. McCormick, the Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D. Mr. F. A. Gorham, Mr. E. T. Montgomery.

Committee on Change of Mission into a Parish—The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Mr. Norman Harrison, Mr. R. H. Buckhout.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff reported the work of the Semi-Annual Conference.

REPORT.

The Secretary of the Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference begs leave to report, that meetings were held in November at Emmanuel Church, Hastings, and in April in St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, generally attended by the Clergy of the Diocese, where discussions were had and papers were read according to the program arranged by the Bishop. These Conferences are a peculiar

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and most delightful feature of our Diocese, giving an opportunity for the discussion of questions which cannot be considered at the Annual Convention, and of inestimable benefit to all.

Signed, M. S. WOODRUFF, Sec'y.

The report was accepted.

The Tellers on the vote for Delegates to the General Convention reported.

TELLERS' REPORT.

On election of Delegates to General Convention:

No. of ballots cast, 42. Necessary to a choice, 22.

Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D	received	22 votes.
Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.,	"	29
Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D	"	23
Rev. R. R. Claiborne	"	20
Rev. J. N. McCormick	"	20
Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	"	16
Rev. Wm. Lucas	"	10
Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D	"	9
Rev. A. H. Locke	"	7
Rev. W. P. Law	"	7
Rev. C. T. Stout	"	6
Rev. M. S. Woodruff	"	3
Mr. J. D. Burns	received	25 votes.
Mr. H. B. Lewis	"	24
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans	"	22
Mr. N. P. Loveridge	"	16
Mr. F. A. Gorham	"	16
Mr. W. J. Stuart	"	15
Mr. George Willard	"	13
Mr. E. T. Montgomery	"	12
Mr. G. D. Robinson	"	11
Mr. W. R. Shelby	"	6

GEORGE FORSEY,
H. B. LEWIS,
Tellers.

The report was received.

The following were declared elected as Deputies to the General Convention:

The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.; the Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D.; the Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.

Mr. J. Davidson Burns; Mr. Horatio B. Lewis; Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.

There are one Clerical and one Lay deputy to be elected.

The Tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the vote.

Recess was taken till 7:30 p. m.

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WEDNESDAY EVENING, 7:30 O'CLOCK.

The Convention came to order.

The Missionary service was said by the Rev. Charles T. Stout.

The Rev. J. N. McCormick addressed the Convention on General Missions, and the Rev. Frederick Hall on Diocesan Missions.

The report of the Board of Missions was read by the Secretary, the Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

To the Twenty-Fourth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

The Board of Missions, elected by the Twenty-Third Annual Convention, met in St. John's Church, Ionia, immediately upon adjournment of the Convention, June 3, 1897, and was regularly organized by the election of the Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner, as Secretary, and Mr. D. G. Robinson, as Treasurer of the Board.

Six meetings have been held during the year, and at the following places: At Ionia, June 3rd, at Grand Rapids, June 23rd; at Grand Rapids, September 21st, at Hastings, November 16th, at Grand Rapids, February 17th; and at Battle Creek, May 31st. The meetings have not been attended as well as might be desired, and the Board would suggest, that its deliberations could be made more satisfactory, if not more effective, if only those who may reasonably expect to be able to attend its regular meetings, would accept election to membership.

The Missionaries who have been engaged at work in the Diocese during the year, or part of the year, are as follows: Mr. Norman Harrison, Lay Reader, St. Paul's, Mendon, and St. James', Sturgis.

The Rev. Albert E. Wells, Grace Church, Traverse City.

The Rev. A. Wetherbee, St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft; and Trinity, Three Rivers.

The Rev. Wm. Westover, Grace Church, Ludington.

The Rev M. S. Woodruff, Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor; and St. Paul's, St. Joseph.

The Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Grace Church, Holland.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., St. John's, Mt. Pleasant; and St. Paul's, Greenville.

The Rev. J. W. Armstrong, Emmanuel, Petoskey.

The Rev. A. W. Mann, Missionary to the Deaf and Dumb.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary of the Kalamazoo Convocation.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, General Missionary of the Grand Rapids Convocation.

In order to make the report an accurate and useful one, the Secretary sent out requests to the several Missionaries, asking for information concerning their work. His wish was fully complied with and what is embodied herewith is suggested by these replies.

Mr. Norman Harrison, although about four months resident in Mendon and Sturgis, reports the outlook of the general work as slow, yet encouraging. At Mendon the Sunday School has been revived, and gives excellent promise. At Sturgis the admirable work of the Guild is to be commended.

The Rev. A. E. Wells, after several years of patient labor, resigned the charge of Traverse City, and in Advent 1897, was succeeded by the Rev. Charles T. Stout, whom we are glad to welcome back to

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his old Diocesan home. During Mr. Wells' incumbency he also held occasional services at East Jordan and Central Lake, which work Mr. Stout has now undertaken.

The Rev. A. Wetherbee has served St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft, with his usual acceptance and efficiency. This is an excellent mission, and although they are few in number, yet they are strong, inasmuch as they appreciate with grateful regard, the services of the Church, and witness earnestly to her polity and faith. Mr. Wetherbee's work also includes one Sunday in each month at Three Rivers.

The work of Grace Church, Ludington, for sometime vacant after the resignation of the Rev. H. D. Chambers, has been undertaken by the Rev. Wm. Westover. This Mission is not regarded as strong as it once was, owing to the loss it has suffered, through the removal of several familes, and the best, therefore, that can now be reasonably expected of it, is, that it maintain its present strength.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff continues, with faithful ministry and watchful care, over the work committed to his charge. The Board feels constrained to say, that the Church at Benton Harbor, might easily do more to chafe and the burden of the work, laid upon the shoulders of this worthy Missionary. With gratitude it is noticed, that St. Paul's, St. Joseph, has purchased and paid for a Church lot.

The Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., is meeting with gratifying success in Holland, both in a spiritual and material way; and this means much, when it is remembered, that prejudice against the Church, among an alien people, and of a different tongue, is strong in this place. Every obligation is honored. Offerings have been made to both Diocesan and Foreign Missions, and this, too, by a people, many of whom are poor, and some even denying themselves needed things at home, that they may be able to contribute to the work and growth of the Church.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., divides his ministry between St. John's, Mt. Pleasant, and St. Paul's, Greenville; and the excellent promise which these Missions give puts another bright spot in the Missionary work of the Diocese. They are both desirous of having a resident clergyman; and while the Board cannot fail to recognize the wisdom of such a desire, yet its action will be necessarily wholly dependent upon what we may be led to contribute at this Convention, for the common work of Missions.

The work at Petoskey, under the diligent care of the Rev. J. W. Armstrong, is growing with a growth conservative and real. A Rectory is being built adjoining the Church, and the general work of the church is eminently satisfactory. There is an excellent field for work in the town of Charlevoix, adjacent to Petoskey, and it would be good for the Church, if the Board during the coming year, could find it within its power, to make provision and have that Mission regularly ministered to.

The Rev. A. W. Mann continues his most acceptable ministry to the Deaf and the Dumb. The comfort and the blessing which the Church by her gracious provision, enables this faithful Missionary to convey to those peculiarly committed to his silent ministry, is a beautiful feature of heroic and loving care.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary, has had Charlotte, Mendon, Paw Paw, Sturgis, Three Rivers, Homer and Union City under his wide pastoral care. In addition to the services given by the General Missionary, Charlotte, Homer, Mendon and Sturgis have had the services of most efficient lay-readers. The work in some of these places is not encouraging. Several of them suggest the stony ground which the Sower met when he went out to sow, and yet the faithful missionary is untiring, and while he is cheered by the expert witness of an Anna, or a Simeon, we share the hope and the prayer with him, that the standard of the Church once raised in these places, may never be taken down in the dishonor of defeat.

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The General Missionary of the Grand Rapids Convocation, the Rev. Woodford P. Law, has ministered with well-regulated zeal, during the year in the following places: Pentwater, Newaygo, Rockford, Hart, Baldwin, Mancelona, Tustin and Luther, and with gratifying results. A church has been built at Mancelona, and will soon be in readiness for Consecration. The Church property at Baldwin has been repaired, and the Church at Luther nearly cleared of its indebtedness. Requests have come from Sherman and South Haven for the organization of Missions. In this Convocation, there have been during the year, about twenty-five baptisms, a good proportion of whom were adults, and seventeen were confirmed.

The Rev. W. H. Thomas, Ph. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Ionia, has conducted services regularly throughout the year, at Lyons, and with such signal success, that the congregation is soon to have a Church building of its own. There have been eight baptisms during the year, and a class for confirmation is being prepared. It would be a relief and a comfort to the Bishop and the Board, if other Rectors could make time to imitate this laudable example. Inestimable good for the future of the Church, would be done if the Rectors of Parishes, having uncared for missionary stations near them, would visit them at intervals, conducting services and presenting to them the message of the Church.

The Board, in the submission of its report, regrets that it is unable to indicate a greater material growth for the work of the year, and yet it is assured that immeasurable good has been done, and that it has abundant reason to be glad and grateful for the measure of Church extension, which has attended the work of the year. It is sincerely hoped that the gifts for Missions this year will be full and generous, and that the incoming Board may be enabled, not only to maintain the witness of the Church where her faith has already been planted, but that extension may be given to her sacred commission. Let us not be unmindful of the fact that the duty of giving to Missions is one of the eminent duties of the Christian life. Jesus, not only insisted, again and again, upon generous giving, and linked it with the great virtues of the soul, but he pronounced that life a barren one which met the needs of the Church with an empty hand or an unworthy gift. Some of the fields in our Missionary work, may seem to present only the most barren, or stony soil, and yet it must not be forgotten that the measure of success, in spiritual sowing, cannot be measured as with the yard stick of commerce. Obedience to the last command of our Saviour in planting the Faith of the Church, may seem to bear only the fruits of baffled labor, and yet we must have faith to believe what Jesus Christ believed, that any effort to sow the seeds of Truth is never a wholly lost or baffled effort. We look to that sacred life and we see Him, who knew what was in man, content to save three parts wrong, if only one came right, and if Jesus was content to do that, so may you, so may we all.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. FORTESCUE GAIRDNER, Sec'y.

The Report was accepted and referred to the appropriate Committee.

The report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was presented and read by Mr. D. G. Robinson.

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer.

In account with the Diocesan Mission Fund for the year 1897-8.

1897.		
June 3.	Cash on hand	$ 877 00
	Received from Good Shepherd, Allegan	40 00
	" St. Thomas', Battle Creek, $75.00, Sunday School, $25.00	100 00

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Received	St. Andrew's, Big Rapids	14 07	
"	St. Mark's, Coldwater, $60.00, Sunday School, $15.00	75 00	
"	St. Paul's, Elk Rapids	20 00	
"	St. Mark's, Grand Rapids	500 00	
"	St. John's, Grand Haven	37 48	
"	St. Matthew's, Grand Rapids	5 00	
"	Emmanuel, Hastings, $25.00, Sunday School, $5.00	30 00	
"	Grace, Holland	5 00	
"	Christ, Homer	13 19	
"	St. John's, Ionia	62 72	
"	St. Luke's, Kalamazoo	200 00	
"	Grace, Ludington	5 37	
"	Trinity, Marshall	75 00	
"	St. Paul's, Muskegon, $50.00, Sunday School, $5.00	55 00	
"	St. Matthew's, Baldwin	1 50	
"	Trinity, Three Rivers	6 19	
"	Grace, Traverse City	2 00	
"	Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor	15 00	
"	St. John's, Harbor Springs	13 21	
"	Grace, Charlotte	14 25	
"	Christ Mission, Charlevoix	27 31	
"	St. James,' Cassopolis	14 17	
"	St. Mark's, Newaygo	40 00	
"	St. Luke's, Muskegon	15 30	
"	St. James.' Pentwater	43 00	
"	Emmanuel, Petoskey, $10.00, Sunday School, $5.00	15 00	
"	St. Mark's, Paw Paw	14 24	
"	Rev. W. W. Taylor, Draft to the Bishop	40 00	
"	St. James', Rockford	10 00	
"	St. John's, Sturgis	6 81	
"	Christ Church, Luther	15 10	
"	St. Paul's, St. Joseph	2 50	
"	St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft	5 00	
"	St. Andrew's, Hart	1 50	
"	St. Paul's, Mendon	7 02	
"	Nativity, Mancelona	12 05	
"	Grace, Union City	10 75	
"	Sherman	5 36	
"	Rev. M. S. Woodruff	5 00	
"	Rev. W. H. Thomas	25 00	
"	Rev. W. H. Thomas, from friends, Ionia	15 00	
"	Old Mission	5 00	
"	Rev. Lewis Brown	10 00	
"	F. A. Gorham, Treas. Income Permanent Missionary Fund	292 91	
"	Trinity, Niles	50 00	
"	Rev. Wm. Lucas	5 00	
"	Holy Trinity, Manistee	30 00	
"	Rev. Herman P. Vicborn	5 00	
"	Akeley Institute, Grand Haven	14 67	
			$2909 67

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CONTRA FOR MONEYS PAID OUT TO JUNE 1ST, 1898. Cr.

Paid Rev. William Lucas, Expense acc't attending Meetings of B'd of Missions,	$ 2 00		
" Rev. Sidney Beckwith, Exp. acc't, attending Meetings of B'd of Missions,	6 21		
" Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, Exp. acc't, att'ng Meetings of B'd of Missions .	6 75		
" Rev. Wm. Wright, Exp. acc't, attending Meetings of Board of Missions..	3 60		
" J. E. Nelson, Expense acc't, attending Meetings of Board of Missions.....	4 90		
" D. G. Robinson, Exp. acc't, attending Meetings of Board of Missions.....	2 75		
" Rev. W. H. Thomas, Exp. acc't for Clerical Services rendered at Lyons	25 00		
" Rev, J. W. Bancroft, for Clerical Services rendered on Church Helper ...	50 00		
" Rev. W. P. Law, appropriation made for Mancelona.....	25 00		
" Rev. W. P. Law, Stipend and Expense account	637 50		
" Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Stipend and Expense account	400 00		
" Rev. J. W. Armstrong, Stipend....	100 00		
" Rev. Artemas Wetherbee, "	18 75		
" Rev. Carl R. Taylor, "	45 00		
" Rev. M. S. Woodruff, "	142 50		
" Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., "	25 00		
" Rev. Albert E. Wells, "	12 50		
" Rev. William Westover, "	112 50		
" Mr. Norman Harrison, "	71 25		
" Rev. Wm. Lucas, Exp. acc't, visiting Paw Paw.....	5 70		
" West Mich. Printing Co.....	1 50		
" Guarantee Co.....	5 00		
" D. G. Robinson, Treas., Exp. acc't as per Appropriation.	12 00		
" Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner. Sec'y, Exp. acc't as per appropriation.....	5 00		
Transferred to Deaf Mute Fund	125 00		
1898. June 3. Balance on Hand to New Acc't.....	1064 26	$2909 67	
Balance on Hand.....		$1064 26	

The report was received and referred to the Committee on the Accounts of the Board of Missions.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary of the Kalamazoo Convocation read his report for the Conventional year.

REPORT OF THE REV. J. W. BANCROFT, GENERAL MISSIONARY, CONVOCATION OF KALAMAZOO.

The Stations supplied by me during the past year, or some part of it, have been Cassopolis, Charlotte, Grand Ledge, Homer, Mendon, Paw Paw, Rockford, Sturgis, Three Rivers and Union City.

Grand Ledge had only an occasional week-day service for ministering the "Communion of the Sick." The services given to Rockford were a "lending a hand" to the Grand Rapids Convocation when the favor was desired. Paw Paw and Union City might have had more services had they felt equal to the task of making their houses of wor-

NOTE—See pages 152-155 for additional reports of D. G. Robinson.

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ship warm enough for the occasion. The other towns mentioned have had monthly or bi-monthly services much of the year.

So far as figures can express such facts, the work of the year may be summed up in the following statement:

Whole number of services, Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer, 85. Celebrations of the Holy Communion, 34. Baptisms of Children, 6. Number of persons confirmed, 2. Marriages solemnized, 5. Number of burials, 3.

Here is a matter for serious thought and inquiry—only six baptisms and two confirmations for the year in a number of Missions whose reported membership last year would be the equivalent of a strong Parish of nearly 200 Communicants.

What means such apparent stagnation? Is it a case of the incapacity, misjudgment, or neglect on the part of the Missionary? Are there local conditions explaining the absence of normal, steady growth?

Is it fair and just to the Diocese—is it wise and expedient that the Board of Missions continue its appropriations on a liberal scale to such unfruitful fields?

Such questions ought to be asked and candidly considered; and with this in view let me call attention to some statistics to be found in the Journals of this Convention for the past thirteen years.

Opening the Journal of 1886, it may be seen that the General Missionary of the Diocese reported Baptisms during the "Convention Year" of 1885 and 6:

Adults, 5; Children, 8; Confirmees, 10; and for ensuing years as follows: 1887, Adults, 11; Children, 28; Confirmees, 23. 1888, Adults, 25; Children, 44; Confirmees, 45. 1889, Adults, 8; Children, 10; Confirmees, 9. 1890, Adults, 8; Children, 14; Confirmees, 16.

Total for the five years: Adults, 57; Children, 104; Confirmees, 103. Of the 57 adults baptized, 50 were of the Northern Convocation and 7 of the Southern. Of the 104 children baptized, 87 were of the Northern and 17 of the Southern. And of the 103 Confirmees reported, 94 were residents of the Northern and 9 of the Southern.

These proportions show where from the beginning has been the true Missionary field of the Diocese.

September 1, 1890, the Rev. Dr. Rippey became General Missionary of the Convocation of Grand Rapids, and the writer has since that date been designated as "General Missionary of the Kalamazoo Convocation."

As a matter, however, of saving time and traveling expenses, as well as of convenience and efficiency, the General Missionaries did not immediately and in every instance restrict themselves each to his own Convocation. For two or three years Dr. Rippey gave some services to Paw Paw, Holland and Schoolcraft, and the writer continued to give occasional services in East Jordan, Luther and Rockford.

For the sake of the comparison we will now consider the corresponding figures in the Journals of 1891 to 1898, both inclusive.

For year 1891: Adults, 5; Children, 17; Confirmees, 9.

Year 1892:	Baptized Adults,	8.	Children,	18.	Confirmees,	16.
" 1883:	" "	5.	"	11.	"	19.
" 1894:	" "	1.	"	4.	"	0.
" 1895:	" "	13.	"	14.	"	11.
" 1896:	" "	1.	"	2.	"	18.
" 1897:	" "	1.	"	3.	"	2.
" 1898:	" "	0.	"	6.	"	2.
		34		75		77
Years previous.....		57		104		103
		91		179		180
Average of 13 years.....		7		14		14

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The smaller numbers in the years '89 and '94 are explainable; being due to interruption of labor on account of sickness and absence. But there have been no sickness and absence of the Missionary to account for small figures in 1897-8. And I believe that more than to any other cause the diminution of numbers is due to the fact that this Diocesan Convention is facing two problems instead of one. Two conditions, related indeed but distinct, confront us. We are in duty bound to do our utmost to "enlarge our borders"—*Church Extension*—and we are equally bound to "strengthen the things that remain, ready to perish"—*Church Sustentation.*

Church *Extension* is the leading demand in Grand Rapids Convocation, and properly so, for, evidently there is much more material in it to be gathered into membership of the Church, and the gathering easier and more welcomed. Very few are the open doors, and seldom is the "Macedonian call" heard in the Southern Convocation, where Church *Sustentation* is the constant, anxious problem before the Board of Missions.

It is "in the air" sometimes that the Board should withhold from the feeble Missions the customary appropriations in whole, or in part, in order to undertake new ventures. But one naturally asks what encouragement would remain to plant other Missions if it become the precedent that existing ventures are to be abandoned in favor of newer and untried fields.

I trust there will be no abandoning, nor serious thought of it, even of the feeblest station on the lists; for while conditions are in some respects critical, they are not without a margin of good hope. "Bruised reeds" indeed they are, but shall we, dare we, take the responsibility of "breaking" them completely? Every one of the six stations which I am now serving has had its day of bright prospects, and it seems too pitiful that the few who have been in the struggle, faithful to this hour should be abandoned at last.

As this is the last report of the kind which I shall have occasion to make, it may be proper for me to place on record some items of interest concerning these six Missions:

1. Grace Mission, Charlotte. This Mission has a history, a very creditable one, of about ten years, but it has been vacant for the last three years, having had but occasional clerical services during that period. It has a new and pleasing Church edifice, valued at $3,500. For a year or more it has had efficient lay reading and Sunday School teaching. The musical part of the service is well sustained, and it would seem to be very near the point of self support. The general feeling is that with monthly clerical services for a time, until its valuable organ can be paid for in monthly installments, the Mission will be warranted in undertaking the full support of its own Pastor.

2. St. Paul's Church, Mendon. This Parish dates from 1867, the period of high prices which followed our civil war. Its house of worship was expensively built; there was a large balance of indebtedness for its construction, carried, without interest, by a business firm which later became involved, and the Church edifice, as a part of the assets of the firm, was lost to the Parish for a number of years. In 1895 opportunity came to buy the building at private sale and the title to the property is now held by the Association of the Diocese.

The Parish is slowly "getting on its feet," but there will be great need of patience—great need of "forbearance one for another."

3. St. Mark's Church, Paw Paw. This Parish dates from 1851. There is a small, neat Chapel, well placed and in fair repair, excepting the furnace and tower. The windows also are much damaged. Fortunately for the Parish, the title to the property is in the Association, but unfortunately for both Parish and Association, some of the

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Congregation are disposed to take the position that the party holding the title ought for that reason to keep the property insured and in repair.

The effort most needed by this Mission, is the holding of an efficient Parochial Mission. There is a considerable number of young persons, baptized members of the Church, who should be, if possible, brought to Confirmation.

4, St. James' Church, Sturgis. The peculiarity of this Mission is that it holds no property nor has any held for it in trust. And this lack of property is the worst feature of the present situation. A good spirit now prevails and considerable enthusiasm. But it cannot be otherwise than that there must be honest difference of judgment as to choice of a lot for building.

Nothing could be more desirable, in fact more Providential, than the gift of $600, or $800, by some benevolent soul, for a Church building site in Sturgis.

A "foothold on the soil" is so obviously the next step to be taken there that I mention no other. The membership will not increase till it is known in some measure what the future of the Mission shall be.

5. Trinity Church, Three Rivers. The small body of workers in this Mission have made a noble effort, and accomplished much; but there is so much remaining to be done that they almost despair. The heating of the Church is barely endurable, but far from satisfactory. The roof must be renewed with considerable incidental repair around the tower. The absolutely necessary repairs must cost $350 to $400, and it would be economy of time and money to take the opportunity to make most thorough repairs, even to twice the amount named.

6. Grace Church, Union City. This Parish has a history of about 35 years, having come into union with this Convention in 1864. It had considerable strength on the start, and its edifice was very well located and of good size and style for the times, but the "times" were those of high prices, and ultimately vacancy became the chronic condition of the rectorate. A period of lay reading followed; at length the Sunday School was given up. Deaths and removals depleted the workers; accessions became rarer, and now aged and infirm people mostly comprise the membership. At the last Celebration of the Holy Communion 13 Communicants received the consecrated elements. It was a larger number than I had expected to see. But thus I find it always; the tokens of encouragement commonly come both singly and unexpectedly. And there are always tokens of cheer to be seen, if only one has the eyes to see them.

The report was accepted.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, General Missionary of the Grand Rapids Convocation read his report for the Conventional year.

REPORT OF THE REV. WOODFORD P. LAW.

To the President and Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions, and the Members of the Convention:

My annual report shall be in inverse ratio to the length of my journey—very short.

The number of services held have been one hundred and twenty-two. I have celebrated the Holy Communion thirty-two times. There have been twenty-two Baptisms and seventeen Confirmations, only three classes being presented and several candidates await that blessing. I have also collected $233.77 for various purposes.

No new Missions have been organized during the year in the territory

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under my charge, but requests have come from two places. The church and rectory at Baldwin have been repaired and a Sunday school was transferred to our charge during the winter.

Within a twelve-month a church has been built at Mancelona and now, virtually paid for, awaits consecration. Many consider that the property we have acquired there is worth one thousand dollars. The stained glass windows from Adrian and from Grace Church, Grand Rapids, add much to the value of the church.

Through the efforts of the Rev. Dr. Thomas, a church building has been bought for the Mission at Lyons.

In reviewing my work for nearly four years as General Missionary we cannot but see God's blessing on the work, yet one must acknowledge that 'tis done under great disadvantages.

Since Sept. 7, 1894, I have held 557 services, have celebrated the Holy Communion 153 times, baptized 125 persons, have officiated at 12 marriages, buried 17 persons and presented 63 for confirmation. In the prosecution of this work I have traveled some thirty thousand miles.

Let us look at some of the disadvantages under which we labor.

1. When the country was first settled we had, unfortunately, no General Missionary to locate land and build churches in northern Michigan. The nearest Bishop lived in Detroit, after Michigan was organized into a Diocese and the ministers were few. No Kemper or Breck blazed the way for the Church fifty or sixty years ago, as in the territory of Wisconsin. Hence we have been in many cases last on the ground. By actual experience we find that the man who will give fifty dollars towards building the first church in a town will sometimes refuse to give fifty cents towards the last one.

2. I would mention as the second obstacle to our work, that name so dreaded by all clergymen—"Removals." Some towns now turned over to the missionary's charge were once prosperous lumber towns—fat and juicy—but now by the withdrawal of people and capital are like a squeezed lemon. Those who once belonged to a self-supporting parish find little to inspire enthusiasm in a *flat* town and a decaying church.

3. Again, many of the churches erected were ambitious structures, open to the roof and one might suppose were patterned after buildings erected in the south, where cold weather was not expected. Services have been suspended in some of our missions because such a large proportion of the lumber was in the roof and so small an amount was used in floor and walls. All our Mission churches should be built snug and warm, with ceilings not too far from the stove or furnace. A church open to the roof is an expensive luxury in Michigan.

5. Those who wonder why a Mission, planted in the midst of a shifting population, does not grow faster should consider that these Mission churches have only a fourth or a fifth of a pastor's time. The Baptist or Methodist brother lives among his people, but our people, being scattered, cannot support a minister and the General Missionary must go far afield in search of his flock.

I would respectfully submit that a re-arrangement of the General Missionary work be made from time to time, with a view to getting the man nearer his people, save car fare and time. With the number of churches built within the last few years north of Big Rapids it would seem that a new Convocation should be organized, and it might be called the "Convocation of Cadillac." The southern part of the diocese might form one or two Convocations as desired. A Missionary in Cadillac and another in Grand Rapids could, I think, reach all places not otherwise provided with services. Yet with all our disadvantages and hindrances we minister to the souls of men under our charge, and *outsiders* say "What Church is this that looks so carefully after its scattered sheep, and is even anxious to carry the lambs in her bosom."

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In estimating the value of our work we must remember that even here 'tis true that "The things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal." The lightning may shatter the little church, fire reduce it to ashes and the name of the mission or parish cease to appear upon the pages of our Convention Journal. But the prayers uttered, the sacraments administered, the words of consolation spoken to breaking hearts, the character building, the souls turned aside from the pathway of death, towards the gate of everlasting life, who can estimate the value of such work? Children educated in the little Sunday school move away and in a few years we find them the leading churchmen in some neighboring parish; one boy a clergyman in a western diocese, and we say "This is God's work, He gives the increase."

"The conviction that we are engaged in a divine enterprise gives us the heart to work on when the work seems fruitless. God's work will be done. The harvest is His, and in His time He will produce it in all its fulness and all its beauty. No toil for His ends is vain. No seeding is lost. No right effort utterly fails."

WOODFORD P. LAW,
General Missionary Grand Rapids Convocation.

The report was accepted.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to report some better method of raising pledges among the Parishes and Missions presented its report, which was read by the Rev. J. W. Bancroft.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PLEDGES.

To the 24th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

GENTLEMEN: Your Committee appointed at the last Convention of this Diocese to consider and report to this Convention "some better scheme, if possible, than heretofore pursued, for raising and reporting to the Convention, or otherwise, the pledges of the various Parishes and Missions for the Support of Diocesan Missions" (Journal p. 57), have carefully considered the subject, and beg leave to report as follows:

That the work of raising the money must be carried on in some form or another in the various Parishes and Missions, but the details of how it shall be raised it is not necessary here to attempt to prescribe. That what we seem to need is some committee or body that will act as a leader in planning the work and seeing that it is done. As to whom this work shall be committed has given us much concern. If a temporary committee is appointed each year, the appointment is liable to be overlooked, or the committee may not understand or appreciate the work and give it little or no attention. The Board of Missions of the Diocese is a permanent body, created by canon, always in existence and especially interested in this work, and seems to us best adapted to take upon itself this duty. We therefore respectfully recommend that hereafter the Board of Missions take upon itself, by authority of the Convention, the securing of pledges from the various Parishes and Missions of the Diocese, as well as the collection thereof. That said board carry on this work in the manner which seems best adapted to it, by dividing the Diocese into districts and allotting said districts to certain members of the board for attention, if thought best, and by calling to its aid clergymen and laymen, not members of the board, to assist in the work, to the end that steps may be taken in each of the various Parishes and Missions, for a systematic securing of funds for this work, or that any other course may be pursued that may seem best,

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and that said board as a part of its report to the Convention each year, present the pledges of the various Parishes and Missions obtained by it as aforesaid for the support of the board in its work during the coming year, thus doing away with the system of calling upon the various Parishes and Missions at the Missionary meeting at each Convention for their pledges.

We further present, in connection with this report, certain amendments to Canon 17, to make said Canon conform with this report, and we respectfully ask the adoption of said amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. BANCROFT.
W. H. VAN ANTWERP.
WM. J. STUART.
A. C. TORREY.

The report was accepted.

Mr. William J. Stuart gave notice of an amendment to Canon XVII, Sections 2, 3 and 4, as follows:

Resolved, that Section 2 of Canon 17 be amended by inserting after the word "power," near the end of the 9th line of said section, as printed, the following: "And it shall be their duty to raise funds for the current year and to secure pledges from the parishes and missions and others for the succeeding year, and"

And that Section 3 of said Canon be amended by inserting after the word "quarterly" at the end of said section, the following, "And it shall be the duty of the Board of Missions to see that the provisions of this section are carried out."

And that Section 4 of said Canon be amended by inserting in the 6th line of said section, after the words "if any" the following, "together with a list of the pledges secured from the various parishes and missions for the ensuing year."

The amendments were referred to the Committee on Canons.

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Pledges were received for the Missionary work of the Diocese.

MISSIONARY PLEDGES.

NAMES OF PARISHES, SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	PARISHES	SUNDAY SCHOOLS	INDIVIDUALS
Allegan, Good Shepherd	$50 00	$.....	$.....
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	75 00	25 00	.....
Coldwater, St. Mark's	60 00	10 00	.....
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	15 00	10 00	.....
Grand Haven, St. John's	35 00	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	500 00	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	10 00	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Grace	.....	25 00	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	25 00	5 00	.....
Ionia, St. John's	50 00	.....	.....
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	200 00	.....	.....
Ludington, Grace	5 00	15 00	.....
Marshall, Trinity	75 00	.....	.....
Mendon, St. Paul's	6 00	.....	.....
Muskegon, St. Paul's	50 00	5 00	.....
Niles, Trinity	40 00	10 00	.....
Traverse City, Grace	25 00	.....	.....
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	10 00	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	15 00	3 50	.....
Petoskey, Emmanuel	10 00	5 00	.....
Sturgis, St. John's	5 00	.....	.....
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	5 00	.....	.....
Rev. Geo. Forsey	.....	.....	5 00
Totals	$1266 00	$113 50	$5 00
Total Amount			$1384 50

Recess was taken until Thursday morning at 8:30 o'clock.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 2, 8:30 O'CLOCK.

Morning Prayer was said by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Albert E. Wells and Cyrus Mendenhall, Mr. Norman Harrison reading the lessons.

The Bishop read that portion of his address which referred to the death of Bishops during the Conventional year and offered suitable memorial prayers.

The Convention came to order, the Bishop in the Chair.

The Roll of the Clerical and Lay Delegates was called and their attendance noted.

The minutes of the sessions of the preceding day were read and approved.

The tellers upon the election of one Clerical and one Lay Deputy to the General Convention reported.

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TELLERS' REPORT.

No. of ballots cast 37. Necessary to a choice 19.

Rev. J. N. Rippey	received	9	votes.
Rev. J. N. McCormick	"	8	"
Rev. R. R. Claiborne	"	6	"
Rev. R. H. Gairdner	"	3	"
Rev. A. H. Locke	"	2	"
Rev. William Lucas	"	2	"
Rev. W. H. Thomas	"	1	"
Mr. George Willard	"	15	"
Mr. N. P. Loveridge	"	8	"
Mr. E. T. Montgomery	"	3	"
Mr. F. A. Gorham	"	2	"
Mr. G. D. Robinson	"	2	"
Mr. W. R. Shelby	"	1	"

G. FORSEY,
H. B. LEWIS, Tellers.

There was no election.

The Tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the votes.

The Committee on the accounts of the Association reported.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The Committee appointed on the Accounts of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan begs leave to report that they have examined the same, with accompanying vouchers, and find them correct.

R. R. CLAIBORNE.
R. H. FORTESCUE GAIRDNER.
F. B. EAGLESFIELD.
R. H. BUCKHOUT.
J. M. PARSONS.

The report was accepted.

The Committee on the Accounts of the Board of Missions reported.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Committee appointed to examine the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions beg leave to report that they have examined the same, with the accompanying vouchers and have found them absolutely correct.

Signed, LEWIS BROWN,
CHARLES D. ATWELL,
E. T. MONTGOMERY,
GEORGE HARRIS, JR.,
W. F. BIGGAR,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The Committee on Canons reported by its Chairman, the Rev. J. W. Armstrong.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

The Committee on Canons to which was referred Amendments to Canon XVII, in Sections 2, 3 and 4, herewith presented, as follows:

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Resolved, that Section 2 of Canon 17 be amended by inserting after the word "power," near the end of the 9th line of said section, as printed, the following: "And it shall be their duty to raise funds for the current year and to secure pledges from the parishes and missions and others for the succeeding year, and."

And that Section 3 of said Canon be amended by inserting after the word "quarterly," at the end of said section, the following, "And it shall be the duty of the Board of Missions to see that the provisions of this section are carried out."

And that Section 4 of said Canon be amended by inserting in the 6th line of said section, after the words "if any" the following, "together with a list of the pledges secured from the various parishes and missions for the ensuing year."

So that the Canon as amended shall read as follows, beginning at the period in Sec. 2 in the 9th line: "They shall have power and it shall be their duty to raise funds for the current year and to secure pledges from parishes and missions and others for the succeeding year and to fix and pay such stipends and other expenses as may be necessary to carry on the Missionary work of the Diocese."

Sec. 3 will read: "It shall be the duty of the Minister of every Church in the Diocese to take an offering for Diocesan Missions once a month or by stated pledges from the members of the Church, and the proceeds shall be remitted to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions quarterly, and it shall be the duty of the Board of Missions to see that the provisions of this section are carried out."

Sec. 4 will read: "The Board of Missions shall from time to time publish statements of their work and make a full report to each Annual Convention, which report shall contain the names of all the Missionary Stations and Missionaries, the annual receipts and expenditures, the names of Churches contributing, a list of non-contributing Churches, if any, together with a list of the pledges secured from various parishes and missions for the ensuing year, and any other matter calculated to promote the Missionary interest of the Diocese, which report shall be entered in full upon the Journal."

We concur in said amendments and recommend their adoption.

J. W. ARMSTRONG,
CHARLES T. STOUT,
J. D. BURNS,
WM. J. STUART,
Committee.

Your Committee have also considered the proposed amendment to Canon VI, Sec. 1, herewith presented, and Canon XVIII, Sec. 3 (1)

That Canon VI, Sec. 1, be changed to read: "In every incorporated Church of this Diocese there shall be an Annual Election on the first Monday or Tuesday after the first Sunday in Advent," etc.

Also, in order to harmonize with this, that Canon XVIII, Sec. 3 (1) be made to read: "They shall be elected by ballot annually, during the week after the first Sunday in Advent," etc.

The Committee do not approve said recommendations and recommend that they be *not* adopted.

J. W. ARMSTRONG,
C. T. STOUT,
J. D. BURNS,
WM. J. STUART,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The resolution of Amendment of Canon XVII—Sections 2, 3 and 4—was taken up for consideration.

The first amendment was adopted.

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Pending the discussion of the second resolution of amendment, the tellers on the vote of the remaining Delegates to the General Convention came in and reported.

REPORT OF TELLERS.

No. of Ballots cast 38. Necessary to a choice 20.

Rev. J. N. Rippey	received	10	votes.
Rev. J. N. McCormick	"	10	"
Rev. R. R. Claiborne	"	7	"
Rev. C. T. Stout	"	4	"
Rev. Wm. Lucas	"	3	"
Rev. J. W. Bancroft	"	2	"
Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	"	2	"
Mr. G. D. Robinson	"	1	"
Mr. W. R. Shelby	"	1	"
Mr. W. J. Stuart	"	1	"
Mr. F. A. Gorham	"	1	"
Mr. N. P. Loveridge	"	4	"
Mr. George Willard	"	30	"

G. FORSEY,
H. B. LEWIS, Tellers.

One Lay Delegate, Mr. George Willard, was elected.

No election Clerical Delegate.

Mr. Norman Harrison was appointed teller in place of Mr. Horatio B. Lewis.

The tellers collected the ballots for one Clerical Deputy and retired to count the votes.

The discussion on the resolution of amendment to Canon XVII was resumed.

The second resolution of amendment was adopted.

The third resolution of amendment was adopted.

The Canon as amended was adopted.

The Bishop concurred in the adoption of the above amendments.

The Convention concurred in the recommendation of the Committee on Canons with reference to the amendment of Canon VI, Section 1, and Canon XVIII, Section 3.

The tellers on the vote for one Clerical Deputy to the General Convention reported.

REPORT OF TELLERS.

No. of ballots cast 40. Necessary to a choice 21.

Rev. R. R. Claiborne	received	7	votes.
Rev. J. N. McCormick	"	9	"
Rev. R. H. Gairdner	"	1	"
Rev. C. T. Stout	"	1	"
Rev. J. N. Rippey	"	22	"

G. FORSEY,
NORMAN HARRISON, Tellers.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., was declared elected, which completed the number.

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The election of supplementary Deputies to the General Convention being in order, the Convention proceeded to their election.

Nominations were made as follows:

The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne.	The Rev. Woodford P. Law.
The Rev. J. N. McCormick.	Mr. A. C. Torrey.
The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner.	Mr. William R. Shelby.
The Rev. Montgomery S. Woodruff.	Mr. Wm. J. Dibble.
The Rev. William Lucas.	Mr. D. G. Robinson.
The Rev. Charles T. Stout.	Mr. R. H. Buckhout.
The Rev. Arthur H. Locke.	

The Rev. Chas. D. Atwell and Mr. Norman Harrison were appointed Tellers. The ballots were collected and the Tellers retired to count the votes.

On motion of Mr. F. A. Gorham the Convention proceeded to the election of the Board of Missions.

Nominations were made as follows:

The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne.	Mr. W. J. Stuart.
The Rev. William Lucas.	Mr. J. E. Nelson.
The Rev. George Forsey.	Mr. Thomas Hume.
The Rev. Charles D. Atwell.	Mr. A. J. Mills.
The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner.	Mr. D. G. Robinson.
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas.	Mr. A. C. Torrey.
The Rev. J. N. McCormick.	

The Rev. H. P. Vicborn and Mr. A. C. Torrey were appointed Tellers for the election of the Board of Missions, who collected the ballots and retired to count the votes.

The report of the Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund was presented.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

The Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund would respectfully report that they have checked the receipts and disbursements of the Treasurer and examined all vouchers. The report of the Treasurer is found to be correct.

Signed, H. B. LEWIS,
CHAS. F. BECK,
A. T. METCALF,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Church Literature was presented and read by the Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE.

Your Committee would respectfully beg to report as follows:

We live in a reading age. The passion for religious literature is most generously met and provided for. There is no reason why the churchman of today should not be a cultured churchman. Such clear, masterful, exhaustive and inexpensive presentation of truth as provided

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in books and journals, make ignorance responsible and places the most limited in means beyond excuse.

Your Committee would emphasize Missionary Literature. Onward and outward is the motto of our times. The Church that is not Missionary is not the Church of Christ. Missionary progress and enthusiasm is founded on intelligence.

Our Missionary Literature, such as the "Spirit of Missions" and kindred works, make the heathen world ours. Apart from their primary intentions they are the most valuable contributions to the ethnic sciences, but this is only secondary. They are, in truth and spirit, the continuousness of the acts of the Holy Apostles, and tell us what devoted men and women, are doing in His name, and for His Church, in every part of the world. Should we read, study and follow their unselfish movements, signal conquests, we would not have to be urged, and beseeched, to pray, and give, and do, as we are.

Diocesan Library has its claim. There is no need for general works, but books on special lines would be a good end. There are fine features of thought, history and symbolism, that are not unfrequently assailed. We are not afraid of the enemy, but there is satisfaction to have within easy reach the weapon that would bring them to our feet. Such works are rare, costly and unreachable to all. Emerson said "Give me the book and not books;" meaning not the books that fuss about everything, but the book that speaks surely and authoritatively on something.

The "Church Helper" is always helpful. It is not large, yet quite big for its size. Its editors and contributors are deserving of praise. Its original articles and selections are up to date and timely.

The Journal, suggestions, councils and solicitudes of our dear Bishop shows that the care of all the Churches are near to his heart and that he is a master workman that need not to be ashamed.

We would recommend the enlargement of the Helper and emphasize its indispensableness to every church, parish, home and churchman in the Diocese.

We are respectfully,

W. H. THOMAS,
H. P. VICBORN,
A. WETHERBEE,
F. B. EAGLESFIELD.
DAVID FISHER.

The report was accepted.

Leave of absence was granted to the Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., the Rev. J. N. McCormick, the Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne, the Rev. George Forsey, Mr. F. A. Gorham and Mr. J. Davidson Burns.

The Committee on Delinquent Assessments reported by Mr. F. A. Gorham.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DELINQUENT ASSESSMENTS.

Your Special Committee, to which was referred the matter of delinquent assessments and missionary pledges, for the purpose of arriving at some settlement of the same, if possible, would respectfully report as follows:

February 26th last the Committee sent a circular letter to the following Parishes and Missions which were delinquent on either, or both, of assessments or pledges prior to 1896-97, viz.: St. John's, Grand Rapids; Trinity, Grand Rapids; St. Paul's, Grand Rapids; St. John's, Quincy; Grace, Traverse City; Grace, Union City; St. Matthias', Central Lake; St. Mark's, Newaygo; Holy Trinity, Manistee; St. John's, Mt. Pleas-

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ant; St. Mark's, Paw Paw; St. James', Albion; Grace, Charlotte.

The circular invited correspondence between the Parish or Mission and the Committee and indicated a willingness on the part of the latter to recommend, in its report to the Convention, a very liberal discount in the way of settlement of old accounts, the main desire being to relieve Parishes or Missions of the embarrassment of having their names reported as delinquent, in the Journal, year after year.

The responses to the circular were not numerous nor encouraging and your Committee feels that it has accomplished but very little.

St. John's, Grand Rapids, reports that because of the heavy mortgage which rests on its property, it is taxed to its utmost to raise the amount needed to pay interest, and asks to have the entire amount standing against it cancelled; also promises that it will endeavor to pay all future assessments promptly. The Committee makes no recommendation.

St. Paul's, Grand Rapids, reports that almost the entire amount standing against it was allowed to accumulate before the present Rector and Vestry took charge of affairs and it is utterly unable to pay the obligation in full. The Treasurer of the Parish, Mr. Manley Jones, stated to a member of the Committee that the Parish expected to pay in full the assessment of 1897-8, amounting to about $50, but could pay nothing on back accounts. Your Committee would therefore recommend that St. Paul's, Grand Rapids, be discharged from all past obligations upon payment in full, within 30 days, of the Assessment of 1897-8, and with the understanding that all future obligations be paid.

St. John's, Quincy, can pay nothing and your Committee makes no recommendation.

Grace, Traverse City, can pay nothing, but says it will keep up future obligations. Your Committee makes no recommendation.

Holy Trinity, Manistee, says that all pledges will be paid in full.

St. Mark's, Newaygo, says that it is unable to pay in full, but will pay $15 in settlement of all assessments to date. Your Committee would recommend that this amount be received, with the understanding that future obligations be kept up.

St. John's, Mt. Pleasant, reports its inability to pay in full, but indicates a willingness to pay in part and hopes, in future, to be able to pay quarterly. Your Committee recommends that the Diocesan Treasurer be authorized to settle with this Parish on the best terms possible.

No responses were received from the other points named and the Committee makes no recommendation with regard to them. Your Committee is of the opinion, however, that it would be advisable to cancel the obligations against several of the Parishes and Missions, those where the debts have accumulated during years for which those now in charge are in no ways responsible, in order that a fresh start may be made be made and encouragement be given which may lead to the payment of future obligations and a larger lay representation in our Conventions. In business affairs assets which are not collectible and are regarded of no value, are charged off the books and as the question now under consideration is entirely one of business, your Committee is of opinion that business methods should be followed in dealing with it.

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. GORHAM,
E. T. MONTGOMERY.

Resolved, That Assessments prior to to those of 1897-8 standing unpaid against St. James', Albion, $27.17; St. Andrew's, Big Rapids, $22.99; Grace, Charlotte, $59.92; Trinity, Grand Rapids, $315.79—provided the assessment of 1897-8 is paid; St. John's, Grand Rapids, $20.06; St. Mark's, Newaygo, $13.77; St. Mark's, Paw Paw, $80.37; St. John's, Quincy, $33.09; Grace, Traverse City, $216.15; Grace, Union City, $49.39; St. Matthias', Central Lake, $3.15; are hereby can-

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celled and the Treasurer of the Diocese is authorized to take the amounts from his books. This action is taken for the reason that this Convention regards the accounts as uncollectible, and therefore of no value as assets.

The report was accepted.

The recommendations of the Committee were taken up for consideration.

The recommendation of the Committee with reference to St. Paul's parish, Grand Rapids, was adopted.

Also, That in regard to St. Mark's, Newaygo, was adopted.

Also, That in regard to St. John's, Mt. Pleasant, was adopted.

The resolution offered by the Committee was adopted with reference to assessments against the Parishes and Missions named by voting upon each in order.

The tellers on the election of Supplemental Deputies to the General Convention reported.

CLERICAL ALTERNATES TO GENERAL CONVENTION—TELLERS' REPORT.

No. of ballots cast, 34. Necessary to a choice, 18.

Rev. R. R. Claiborne	received	12 votes.
Rev. A. H. Locke	"	8 "
Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	"	16 "
Rev. J. N. McCormick	"	19 "
Rev. W. P. Law	"	16 "
Rev. Wm. Lucas	"	9 "
Rev. W. H. Thomas	"	4 "
Rev. M. S. Woodruff	"	7 "
Rev. H. P. Vicborn	"	3 "
Rev. C. T. Stout	"	5 "

LAY ALTERNATES.

No. of ballots cast, 29. Necessary to a choice, 15.

Mr. D. G. Robinson	received	24 votes.
Mr. E. T. Montgomery	"	11 "
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart	"	17 "
Mr. W. R. Shelby	"	10 "
Mr. N. P. Loveridge	"	15 "
Mr. A. C. Torrey	"	7 "
Mr. R. H. Buckhout	"	12 "
Mr. F. A. Gorham	"	4 "
Mr. Woodruff	"	1 "
Dr. A. T. Metcalf	"	1 "

C. D. ATWELL,
NORMAN HARRISON, Tellers.

The Rev. John Newton McCormick and Mr. David G. Robinson; Mr. Wm. J. Stuart and Mr. Noah P. Loveridge were declared elected.

Three Clerical and one Lay to be elected.

The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the votes.

The tellers on the election of the Board of Missions reported.

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REPORT OF TELLERS ON THE ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

No. of ballots cast, 31. Necessary to a choice, 16.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas	received	25 votes.
The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner	"	22 "
The Rev. John Newton McCormick	"	19 "
The Rev. George Forsey	"	16 "
The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne	"	15 "
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D.	"	15 "
The Rev. Charles D. Atwell	"	10 "
The Rev. Wm. H. VanAntwerp, D. D.	"	3 "
The Rev. Arthur H. Locke	"	3 "
The Rev. Lewis Brown	"	3 "
The Rev. Herbert Sowerby	"	2 "
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson	"	1 "
The Rev. Woodford P. Law	"	1 "
The Rev. Charles R. Hodge	"	1 "
The Rev. Charles T. Stout	"	1 "
The Rev. J. N. Rippey	"	1 "
Mr. J. E. Nelson	"	26 "
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart	"	24 "
Mr. David G. Robinson	"	24 "
Mr. A. J. Mills	"	19 "
Mr. A. C. Torrey	"	14 "
Mr. Thomas Hume	"	10 "
Mr. J. Davidson Burns	"	3 "
Mr. J. Kleinhans	"	2 "
Mr. Geo. T. Saunders	"	2 "
Mr. C. R. Wilkes	"	2 "
Scattering	"	6 "

H. P. VICBORN,
A. C. TORREY, Tellers.

The following were declared elected as Members of the Board of Missions: The Rev. Wm. Lucas; the Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner; the Rev. John Newton McCormick; the Rev. George Forsey; Mr. J. E. Nelson; Mr. Wm. J. Stuart; Mr. D. G. Robinson and Mr. A. J. Mills.

One Clerical and one Lay Member to be elected.

The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the vote.

Mr. Jacob Kleinhans offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be extended to the Rector and Congregation of St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, for generous hospitality extended to the members of the Convention during its session.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The Committee on the "Change of a Mission into a Parish" was continued to next year, to report to the next Convention.

The tellers on the election of Supplemental Delegates to the General Convention reported.

REPORT OF TELLERS—CLERICAL DELEGATES.

No. of ballots cast, 27. Necessary to a choice, 14.

The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	received	23 votes.
The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne	"	19 "

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The Rev. Woodford P. Law	received	18 votes
The Rev. A. H. Locke	"	6 "
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D	"	4 "
The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall	"	1 "

LAY DELEGATES.

No. of ballots cast, 28. Necessary to a choice, 15.

Mr. Wm. R. Shelby	received	14 votes.
Mr. R. H. Buckhout	"	10 "
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans	"	3 "
Mr. A. C. Torrey	"	3 "
Mr. E. T. Montgomery	"	8 "

CHARLES D. ATWELL,
NORMAN HARRISON, Tellers.

The following were declared elected: The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner; the Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne; the Rev. Woodford P. Law.

One Lay Delegate to be elected.

The tellers collected the ballots for one Lay Supplemental Deputy to the General Convention and retired to count the vote.

The tellers on the election of one Clerical and one Lay Member of the Board of Missions reported.

REPORT OF TELLERS.

No. of ballots cast, 31. Necessary to a choice, 16.

The Rev. R. R. Claiborne	received	17 votes.
The Rev. Dr. Thomas	"	11 "
The Rev. C. D. Atwell	"	2 "
The Rev. Blank	"	1 "
Mr. A. C. Torrey	"	23 "
Mr. Thos. Hume	"	3 "
Mr. J. D. Burns	"	1 "
Mr. J. Kleinhans	"	1 "
Mr. E. T. Montgomery	"	1 "
Mr. H. B. Lewis	"	1 "
Blank	"	1 "

H. P. VICBORN,
A. C. TORREY, Tellers.

The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne and Mr. A. C. Torrey were declared elected.

The tellers on the election of one Lay Supplemental Deputy to the General Convention reported.

REPORT OF TELLERS.

No. of ballots cast, 26. Necessary to a choice, 14.

Mr. Wm. R. Shelby	received	22 votes.
Mr. A. C. Torrey	"	4 "

CHARLES D. ATWELL,
NORMAN HARRISON, Tellers.

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Mr. Wm. R. Shelby was declared elected, thus completing the elections.

On motion the sexton and page were paid the customary fee.

On motion the Secretary was allowed $100, as salary for the ensuing year.

On motion 500 copies of the Journal were authorized to be printed and distributed by the Secretary.

A resolution offered by Mr. George Willard to pay the Clerical Deputies to the General Convention the sum of $50 for their expenses was lost, owing to the fact that so large an amount was required to be raised by assessment this year and the following was substituted, offered by Mr. F. A. Gorham:

Resolved, That one hundred dollars per year be included in the amount of assessment for the next three years, and that the same be used as collected in paying the expenses of the Clerical Delegates to the next General Convention.

The resolution was adopted.

Recess was taken until 1:30 p. m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 1:30 P. M.

The Convention came to order, the Bishop in the Chair.

No further business appearing, the Rev. Wm. H. VanAntwerp took the chair while the minutes were read.

Pending which Mr. Wm. J. Stuart offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The 80th birthday of our beloved Bishop and the 25th anniversary of his Consecration as Bishop of the Diocese occur during the year 1899, therefore be it

Resolved, That a Committee of three Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed to take suitable action and make the necessary arrangements to properly observe these anniversaries.

Which was unanimously adopted.

By nomination and vote of the Convention, the following were appointed on such Committee.

The Rev. Wm. H. VanAntwerp, D. D. Mr. George Willard.
The Rev. J. N. McCormick. Mr. D. G. Robinson.
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.

The Minutes were read and approved.

[NOTE BY THE SECRETARY.—The Secretary would deem it a dereliction of his duty did he not mention the delightful banquet given to the members of the Convention at the Sanitarium by its officers on Thursday night at 6 o'clock.

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"Bountiful courtesy," as the Bishop happily expressed it, was enjoyed by all. Speeches were made by the Bishop, the Rev. Messrs. Brown, VanAntwerp, Thomas and others, and responses made by Judge Arthur and Elder McCoy.]

The Bishop returned and proceeded to close the Convention.

The Gloria in Excelsis was sung, the Bishop offered prayer and pronounced the Blessing of Peace.

The 24th Annual Convention was adjourned without day.

GEORGE D. GILLESPIE,
Chairman.

Attest:
J. N. RIPPEY, Secretary.
JAMES E. WILKINSON, Assistant Secretary.

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APPENDIX A.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

Almighty God, the Giver of life, of health, and of safety, permits me to meet with you in our 24th Annual Convention. Another year I have gone in and out among you, it being my comfort that the weakness of exertion may be in some degree compensated for by its unintermission.

You may remember that I opened my last address to you with, "We meet in a time of wars and rumors of war." My thought was then on "foreign lands involved in deadly contest, and the war cloud hanging over Europe." Today our own land is in the shadow of the cloud. As I am writing, the citizen soldiers are gathering in our streets, to assemble where they may be ready for the call of alarm. Most of us recall the years when war made the "days of darkness and of gloominess, of clouds and of thick darkness" throughout our borders. And for those who lived not in that fearful period, or were too youthful for the realization, there is yet much known of its painful experiences—"We have heard with our ears," we have read with our eyes, "our fathers have declared unto us." Then it was fellow countrymen in bloody strife, and today it is fellow christians. It is hard to think of and painful to say so. Nearly 2,000 years have passed since the "multitude of the heavenly host" sang over this wide world, "Peace on earth;" and when we are looking for the lovely vision of prophecy, "Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more," "war to cease unto the ends of the world," lo! we are called upon to pray against worshipers of our God, a people loyal to our Lord and Saviour, "Save and deliver us from the hands of our enemies." It touches too keenly our humanity to suffer calmly the cruelties inflicted upon a poor people in a neighboring isle, our patriotism forbids to allow injury to our citizens, indignity to our government; we are bound to respect the decisions of our "Senate and Representatives in Congress assembled;" we are justified in drawing the sword after the calm attitude and reasonable policy and propositions of our President. But war has its tale in Ezekiel's roll—"it was

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written within and without; and there was written therein lamentations, and mourning and woe." Robert Hall in that splendid oration of his on war nearly a century ago, when the world had not learned war as it has today, says, "Real war, my brethren, is a very different thing from the painted image of it, which you see on a parade or at a review; it is the most awful scourge that Providence employs for the chastisement of men. It is the garment of vengeance with which the Deity arrays himself, when he comes forth to punish the inhabitants of the earth."

The duty of the hour is plain. Patriotism asks not for that wild clamor of intensified hatred, malice, and vengeance which is stirred up in precipitate untutored minds. Christianity has mitigated some of the horrors on the field and on the deep, and she does not stand aloof from the spirit of the contest. Be it ours to sympathize with those whom civil relations or choice has called to the field; to speak calmly and comfortably to those who in their lonely homes must live in painful uncertainty and fear, and when tidings come to those homes that "the place that has known him, shall know him no more;" and to call upon Him who is as capable to still the waves of national contest as He is to "make men to be of one mind in a house," that soon it may be heard on the deep and on the field, and in the council chambers of the conflicting powers, "Peace, be still."

From this topic of sadness, I turn to another, yet not another, for over the good custom of the In Memoriam of the Bishop's Address stands the motto, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

The decease of four Bishops claims our notice.

In the days just preceding our last Convention, Virginia lost its Coadjutor Bishop in the death of the Rt. Rev. John Brockenbrough Newton, D. D., May 28, 1897. Present in only one General Convention even his countenance was scarcely familiar to his brethren. I extract this minute from the proceedings of the Diocese of Virginia. "We would place on record our gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for what Bishop Newton was, and what he did. The beautiful simplicity of his character, his fidelity to duty as a soldier, a physician, a pastor and a Bishop; his earnestness and power as a preacher of the Gospel; his unfailing cheerfulness, kindness and manliness, drew many hearts to him. During his short term of office as Bishop, he left his impress upon the whole Diocese, as with zeal, energy and unfeigned humility he went from church to church, preaching the Gospel of the grace of God. He preached Jesus Christ and Him crucified. We honored him; we loved him; we mourn his loss."—*Journal of the Special Council, June 30, 1897.*

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The Rt. Rev. Nelson Somerville Rulison, D. D., was summoned to the blessed home, in a foreign land, September 1, 1897. Those of you who were present in the General Convention, sitting as the Board of Missions, in Minneapolis, will never forget his address with a fertility of fact and profundity of thought, uttered with a rapidity that the reporters laid down their pencils in despair, all witnessing his intellectual force. He was manifestly a coming man in the House of Bishops. Again I quote from the testimony of the Diocese of the late prelate. "In the death of Bishop Rulison, the Diocese suffers a most severe loss, the Clergy, a true and loving Father in God. He will be especially remembered as one of the most earnest and warm hearted of men, cordial and genial and full of human kindness.—*Churchman, September 11, 1898.*

The Rt. Rev. Charles Todd Quintard, D. D., LL. D., M. D., when he departed this life, February 15, 1898, was venerable in years, among the Fathers in the Episcopate. Born in 1824, Consecrated in 1865, he had "borne the burden and heat of the day," building up a Diocese where there were scarcely "a great door and effectual opened unto him, but there were many adversaries"—the war was hardly closed. To him is due the praise of refounding and rebuilding the University of the South. "His energy was tremendous, strong and definite in his convictions, of the finest courage, courtly in manner, whole-souled and utterly unselfish, generous to a fault, with the grace of eloquent speech; he was a noble Bishop, a true friend, a good man, a servant of Jesus Christ—whose lot is with the saints, and his works do follow him."—*Churchman, February 26, 1898.*

I had closed the list of the dead when the intelligence came of the decease of the Bishop of Iowa. The Rt. Rev. William Stevens Perry, D. D., L.L. D., D. C. L., was indefatigable as a student and writer, especially as the Historiographer of the Church. It would be hard to find his peer as an annalist of the Church from the first services on the Atlantic and Pacific shores to the present day. He was in the House of Bishops one of those looked up to in framing our Canon law. To these marked abilities, he added a manly courage of his convictions, a courtesy of manner, a warmth of interest in all good works, and the bearing of a Christian Bishop. Once my privilege to occupy a seat with him, where Bishops become known to each other, I was drawn to him, and sadly I recall that we "shall see his face no more."

The two first named Bishops were called away in middle life and after a brief Episcopate. So it is that God shows, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit." As we meet triennially in the House of Bishops, often younger faces and the more erect forms are there only as the In Memoriam

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list is read, and in the memory of their brethren; while the venerable men, whom we had not expected to meet again, take their seats. There is a lesson in this, that the Parishes and Vestries that seem almost to scorn the wisdom and experience of age, refusing to consider a name that is not attached to youth, would do well to ponder. I do not say that God refuses the freshness and energy of youth, with that confidence and courage that come of no past experience ofdisappointment and failure; but He shows us that in building up His kingdom among men as He "prolongeth days" so He has use for abilities that come of age.

Death has not invaded our little clerical band. I thankfully mention the restoration to the activity and comfort of health of two of our fellow laborers who have had your and my anxiety and prayers.

I proceed to the details of the twelve months work and history.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Foremost in the list stands the Confirmations. Thus we count the "saving some" of our Ministry. Confirmation in youth is the promise of leading the rest of the life according to this beginning of personal vow, and when received in riper years, it is the token and pledge of a blessed coming to newness of life.

The number confirmed in 17 Parishes, 13 Missions, 233.

It is less by 92 than in the previous year, and while this may be accounted for partly by the vacancies existing in the larger Parishes, we should not pass it by without reflection. The number of unconfirmed adults, especially of men, in our Parishes is very noticeable as on the first Sunday in the month the con-communicating congregation are withdrawing. And even in a small Parish or Mission the number who "wilfully abstain from the Lord's Table," is equal to, if not beyond those who "mind to come." The ministry of adults must be more personal—minds and hearts have become dull to things unseen spiritual, in contact with the world; doubts and unbelief have become settled; the seed falls "by the wayside, on stony ground, among thorns." The type of the ministry of the adult is Jesus in conference with the woman of Samaria. We must go to our men and women again and again, returning if the "season" is not good, we must have conference with men if we can secure it only in the far hours of the night. The opportunity to gather candidates is not so limited to youth that the common apology avails—"there are few children in the Parish." Let not ours be the plaint of a faithful Shepherd of souls, "I fear I have not followed my people sufficiently with domestic and personal exhortations."

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If it is painful that no more should be confirmed, it is even more so to have in our Parishes that class named in our Litany, "those who fall," known in our form of parochial report "dropped." The explanation may be, hasty admission to the Laying on of hands—more likely the lack of that subsequent instruction and caring for which so large a proportion of the ordinary confirmation class need. The best suggestion I can make is, that the class should continue if not in form yet in force. A practice once prevalent had in my experience its great value—an annual Confirmation reunion, when the classes, at least of late years, would be assembled and addressed; and even those who had removed, were addressed and asked to respond. I do not know to what extent there is this dropping for "negligence to come to the Holy Communion," but I note that last year with 325 confirmed the number of Communicants fell off from the previous year 167. The number of deaths and removals combined, would scarcely account for the difference.

I am aware that in what I have said, I have been repeating myself from past years, but the matter causes anxious thought, so fearfully it reminds us of many a saying in God's word in regard to those "who fall away."

THE PROGRESS OF THE YEAR.

The year has not been notable for special Episcopal Acts. One Deacon has been ordered Priest.

The notes of advancement are—the continued life at Elk Rapids, mainly under Lay charge, that promises the resumption of clerical residence; the reviving work at Grand Haven; the altar gifts at St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, through an Altar Guild; the enlarged congregation of Grace, Grand Rapids, with the needed financial gain, and the addition of a pulpit, an expression of the importance of preaching we like to see; the larger interest and hopefulness at St. Paul's; improvements in the Church at Holland; the supply of Manistee through clerical generosity when the suspended Rectorship was growing to necessity; the addition at Marshall of a Memorial Font; the removal of the Church at Traverse City, giving the impulse to a Parish worthy of the city. In connection with the Missions—Charlevoix greets the summer resorters with more towards completion; Mancelona has placed a Chapel upon its lot that a little more begging will complete; Mt. Pleasant feels the benefit of the State Normal School and more of resumed services with a resident Minister; Petoskey has made its own its valuable property by discharging a mortgage of $800 and has commenced the erection of a rectory, borrowing $1,500, but not involving the Church lot and edifice; Pentwater with its stint of service, wins the

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praise of reaching towards ability; Lyons has secured a Church that waits transit to their lot; St. Joseph has acquired and paid for a lot; Sherman is added to the Missionary charge. It is not much to tell. I wish I could make the tale longer and better. But there is ground for thankfulness in what we have not as well as in what we have, and there might be stones of stumbling in our Diocesan path which we do not encounter.

THE VACANCY AND SUPPLY OF PARISHES.

Seven clergymen have been withdrawn from the Canonical list and six have been added, making the whole number 33, seven not in Parochial work, three of these disqualified by age and infirmities.

The Rev. Thomas Hines from October 14, 1891, actively at work in Manistee, has been transferred to Nebraska. The Rev. J. Brewster Hubbs, A. B., from January 29, 1891, energetic and judicious as Rector of Grace Church, Grand Rapids, is happily settled at Geneva, western New York. The Rev. H. H. Johnston, from November 11, 1889, closely confined to his duties as Rector of Trinity Church, is now settled in the Diocese of Albany. The Rev. Philip W. Mosher from January 31, 1891, Rector of St. Paul's, Muskegon, now in western New York, will be missed in the Convention as he is in his late Parish. The Rev. Lewis C. Rogers, away from the Diocese since July 1, 1896, has been transferred to Chicago. The Rev. Carl Reed Taylor, after little more than two years charge at Mendon and Sturgis, has taken letters dimissory to Minnesota. The Rev. Sidney Beckwith resigned Trinity, Marshall, November 2, 1897, and has been compelled by ill health to rest. The Rev. Albert E. Wells ceased to officiate in Grace Church, Traverse City, October, 1897.

St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, filled a vacancy of ten months, calling the Rev. John N. McCormick, who entered on his duties February 20, 1898. Trinity, Niles, six months without a head, was supplied by the Rev. Frederick Hall from Michigan, entering on the charge March 1, 1898. Grace, Grand Rapids, eight months after the vacancy began, received its Rector from Niles. Muskegon terminated five months vacancy, Rev. George Forsey from Michigan assuming charge April 10, 1898.

The Rev. William Westover having ceased to officiate at Mt. Pleasant, end of August, became Rector of Grace Church, Ludington, September 1, 1897. The Rev. John Sword began to officiate at Holy Trinity, Manistee, February 17, 1898. The Rev. J. E. Walton has returned to his former charge, Trinity, Marshall, temporarily. The Rev. Charles T. Stout

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welcomed back to the Diocese, became Rector of Grace Church, Traverse City, January 1, 1898.

Homer persistently declines to provide for even a monthly Ministerial Sunday service. Mendon in connection with Sturgis has the acceptable service of a Candidate for Holy Orders. Saugatuck in its weakness rarely opens its church.

In the Missions, Charlotte is ready to add to Lay services the presence of the General Missionary on a stated Sunday in the month. Cassopolis is possessed with the idea that it must have an Apollos, and cannot see any connection between ability and compensation. Charlevoix is a summer Church, except as it receives kind services from Petoskey. Dowagiac makes its complaint of the loss of opportunity when its unreasonable demands made the Bishop powerless. East Jordan and Central Lake are restored to their privileges through the Rector of Traverse City. St. John's, Grand Rapids, has faithful Lay services but misses the afternoon clerical service. St. Matthew's, and South-West Grand Rapids (the latter not organized) are suspended. Harbor Springs, in the absence of the Bishop of Missouri last Summer, was in charge of the Rev. William Elmer. The Rev. Dr. Thomas adds to his Sunday work, an afternoon service at Lyons. Other Missions remain as last year.

Lay work has been rendered in the Parishes at Battle Creek, Elk Rapids, Homer, Holland, Marshall. In the Missions, at Charlotte, Charlevoix, Greenville, Muskegon—St. Luke's, Newaygo, Grand Rapids—St. John's, Petoskey, Pentwater, Three Rivers.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONFERENCE AND THE QUIET DAYS.

The Semi-Annuals have been held at Hastings and Kalamazoo.

In my last address, I stated, "in making the appointment for the Quiet Days, I shall be governed by the number of the Clergy promising attendance." Accordingly in the February CHURCH HELPER, I asked the Clergy "to inform me immediately, whether, other obligations allowing, they would be present at a Quiet Day in the week before Ash Wednesday." Either no attention was given to the matter, or, with few exceptions, the answers were so delayed that it was impossible for me to make the arrangements.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

Nine Clergymen and one Lay Reader have received aid from the Diocese and the General Board during the year or part. The number of places served by local Missionaries, twelve. The General Missionaries have given regular services, commonly monthly to seven places, occasionally to thirteen. In

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all, fifty-seven places are brought more or less under Church influence. The whole expenditure for Missions in our bounds has been $3,145.41, the General Board generously aiding us with the continued grant of $1,300. Our Diocesan Fund has contributed to Church erection $35.80. The Rectory and Church Building Fund has now loaned to Churches, Rectories and Akeley Institute, $958.

Among the problems that meet the Missionary work of the Diocese is the case of Missions, when year after year there is not only no increase of self aid, but the sum paid is clearly far below the ability of the Mission. On the one hand, it does not seem just, that gathered as our funds are, by the liberal and even hardly secured pledges of the Parishes, they should be used to help those who will not help themselves. It is a mean spirit that a Mission will get from the Diocese all it possibly can, instead of assuming the attitude, "we will do our very best, and will be grateful to you to supplement our inability." On the other hand, the denial of aid or serious reduction of the amount may distress the Ministerial household, and demanding resignation, close a work where there is a Church edifice, a Church constituency, and where there are those who are loyal to the Church and do not meet their pecuniary ability, I can think of nothing more likely to meet the case than the conference of laymen with the parishioners, acting under commission of the Board of Missions.

GENERAL MISSIONS.

The offerings to our Domestic and Foreign Missions for the year ending September 1, 1897, amounted to $2,144.39. When noting the contributions of the Parishes and Missions, from this must be deducted $1,000, from some liberal soul who, when doing alms, "would not let the left hand know what the right hand doeth." The amount is thus $590.03 less than in the previous year; the sum to a Communicant 20½ cents, as against 31 cents last year. The children's Easter offerings were $415.20. To the Advent Sunday offering for Domestic Missions and the first Sunday after the Epiphany for Foreign Missions, are now added by recommendation of the General Board of Missions, Sexagesima Sunday for work among the colored people, and the third Sunday after Easter among the Indians. While last year we stood 28 as a contributing Diocese, leaving out the $1,000, this year there are 29 ahead of us. Our opportunity to come back to a better record is partly in the fact that Parishes and Missions, numbering 995 Communicants, made no contribution.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

The change made this year for the time of the Annual

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meeting will give the Clergy at least, better opportunity to become acquainted with and interested in this necessary branch of missionary work. There are really only 11 active branches in the Diocese. The Woman's Auxiliary as originally established was designed to aid our Domestic and Foreign Missions by money and work. Strictly Parish work has gradually crept in, and has usurped the title. The two should be kept entirely distinct. The financial tables in the Journal show branches where the Auxiliary work makes no figure as contrasted with the Parish work. I recommend to the Auxiliary to drop all reference to Parish work in its meetings and reports.

The Auxiliary work has not extended into the Parishes and Missions as it should have done. Parishes like Marshall, Grand Rapids—St. Paul's; Holland, Muskegon, should not be out of line in this practicable, and promising work; and even a feeble Mission can go so far as to have a monthly Missionary meeting, and this would soon mature to all the Auxiliary contemplates.

SOCIETIES IN THE CHURCH.

The true policy in any Diocese is to have a hand in all good works, especially those for which the Church stands sponsor. After parochial interests, come Diocesan, then those that reach throughout our land, and out "into all the world." And there are minor agencies that are parts of all these, and are helpful and even necessary for their success. Formally and informally the Church has recognized those I am about to mention with our relation of bestowment. The society for the Increase of the Ministry, is an old friend of the Diocese, who helped our candidates when they were richer and we were poorer; and when not a cent is acknowledged from Western Michigan in their last report, I should remind you that we stand debtor. The American Church Building Fund Commission credits us only $14.65, and when I recall the requests I have signed for gifts and loans, I rather think that was not all given on the principle, "Do good, and lend hoping for nothing again." I notice a parochial indebtedness of $120, and know of some more coming, when the granted loan or gift will pay "the uttermost farthing." The Missionary to the Deaf Mutes has received, aside from his stipend $12.68. The society for promoting Christianity among the Jews acknowledges $18.56. As I scan the last Journal, I notice here and there a mite for the General Clergy Relief Fund, in all $10.30. I am importuned by the agent to urge offerings on the appointed Sunday. It seems to me a wiser course would be, to relieve the Fund for an annual payment of $100 to a worthy brother, and by increased Christmas

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offerings to provide for it, and the increase of our Fund. While we have the ability let us have the satisfaction of providing for our own Clerical house.

I could wish that in our Parishes, especially the stronger, such societies as those that distribute so freely the Book of Common Prayer, especially the New York Society that has its memorial in all our weaker Parishes, and Seabury Divinity School that has generously helped to educate our candidates, might have the notice of alms, if only to keep in mind their good service to the Church.

THE ST. ANDREW'S BROTHERHOOD.

I should scarcely dare to face the young men, in and out of the Diocese, who have so persistently, I speak to their praise, endeavored to plant the Brotherhood in our Diocese, did I fail to mention it. I have done my uttermost to promote, and I think some of the Clergy have done theirs; what I regard as one of the grandest movements in the Church in these latter days. Whether the failure is owing to unhappy conditions or to the lack of energy that generally succeeds, I do not know, but I do regret that there are only a few active Brotherhoods in the Diocese.

AKELEY INSTITUTE.

I now approach a Diocesan interest that is ever with me. more than this, is ever the heavy burden that is given me to carry in years that demand rest. That you may receive reasonably and charitably what I shall present to you, I must remind you that the Akeley gift was solemnly accepted at the Convention held in Grand Haven, 1888. I have no wish to conceal my hearty concurrence in that action, but I have a right to expect that the Clergy and Laity will recognize their responsibility.

To refer to the past year. While the school has been conducted with the usual complement of teachers and aiming at a high grade of scholarship; the number of pupils has been less than we were entitled to expect. The Principals have patiently borne a condition involving them in loss.

We have received gifts from without the Diocese, $132.50; from within, $243.30; in all, $375.80. A balance June 1, 1897, $119.82, enabled us to meet the December interest. The deficiency on the June interest is $176.88.

The Confirmees Fund has yielded $132.45, representing 529 contributors. The Missions have shown interest, and have made the small payment. The larger Parishes, with slight exception, have entirely withheld, although at each visitation, in connection with a statement of the claims of the school, I have stated how many I had confirmed in each one,

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and the value of the fund. I had hoped that Akeley had friends in all the Parishes who would willingly act as collectors, if it must needs be thus, to secure the gift, especially when a certain personality attached to it.

It is gratifying to state, that recently, after a thorough examination by Professor D'Ooge, of the University, the school is placed on the list of those that may enter scholars without examination on our certificate of graduation.

I have more than once expressed to the Convention my conviction that to meet the interest on the bonds, insurance, repairs, and other expenses, a fund must be secured of not less than $1000 per annum. Since the bonds were issued June, 1892, I have, self charged, secured the interest, $720 per annum. The liberality of friends, within and without the Diocese, has provided in part the balance I have been compelled to advance in the form of a loan, on which no interest has been paid. Unable longer to bear the personal burden, I have made the effort to carry out the plan I have mentioned; and have so far succeeded that I hold cash and subscriptions to the amount of $2,320, this being part of a $3,000 subscription, $1,000 for each year, but not a dollar of which may be used until the whole sum is secured. In this condition, I now hand over the subscription to the Trustees. Their task of securing the balance in the Diocese should not be a hard one, when the names secured are only ten, and one-half has come from my personal friends without the Diocese. But the balance must be had or all that is secured will be lost, and your Bishop must be relieved from any further responsibility in the matter.

To secure the life of Akeley Institute beyond my Episcopate, is my strong desire and anxiety. With the energy belonging to fewer years from the period when the Church suffers the call to her highest Ministry, and a hopefulness that is not subdued by acquaintance with past difficulties and disappointments; the second Bishop of Western Michigan will bring new life to the Diocese, in which, I trust, our school will participate. I say this is my strong desire. So far as my judgment and opportunities are concerned, the policy of the Diocese is settled; with the good management of those intrusted with its interests and under "the good hand of God," its affairs are generally in better condition than I have ever known. The anxiety clusters round our school, though God forbid that I should not say that it is relieved, and the day of hope is amid the darkness, when I recall many an evidence that "God cares for Akeley." Pardon the personality, I have desired to make this record, and living on "borrowed time," we hear the voice—"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no

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work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave whither thou goest."

PENAL AND PAUPER INSTITUTIONS.

I am wont to include in our year's history my work in connection with the State Board of Corrections and Charities. The time that I give to it, is Diocesan time, the gift of the Diocese to the State, and so the Diocese is participant in any satisfaction and benefit the work may bring.

I have devoted two Sundays, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas to the School for the Deaf, the Industrial Home for Girls, the House of Correction at Ionia and the State Prison at Jackson. To this has been added the visitation of State institutions 13 times, of Jails 23, Poor Houses 15, attendance at the annual Convention of the Board and monthly meetings of the Board at Lansing and elsewhere.

THE REPEAL OF THE ACT FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCHES.

The last Legislature in the final days of the session passed an Act, "to revise, amend and consolidate the laws for the incorporation of Ecclesiastical bodies." Public Acts No. 209, pp. 264-266. This repealed the special acts under which six prominent Denominations were incorporated, our own Church among them. The Act provides that notwithstanding the repeal of the Acts, "all rights of whatever nature * * * are expressly preserved, and the acts for the enjoyment and enforcement of any such rights shall be deemed to be still in force but for no other purpose whatsoever." Sec. II. The Supreme Court in a case lately brought before it, has sustained the Act.

The difficulty arises in the future organization of Parishes. The new Act is thoroughly Congregational. The ultimate remedy must be applying to the the Legislature for the restoration of our old Act. I have communicated with the Bishops of Michigan and Marquette and no doubt the Convention of each Diocese will name a Committee to act in conjunction with any committee we may appoint. I have submitted to the Chancellor, whether to meet our case, until the Legislature shall act, or in the event of their refusal to act, a Canon might not be enacted to prescribe "By-Laws" in conformity with our parochial polity, and he informs me—"I am of the opinion that any Church which shall be organized under Act No. 209, of 1897, can adopt for their by-laws the provisions of the repealed act of 1857, for the organization of Protestant Episcopal Churches, and also the Constitution and Canons of the Church. The adoption of the Constitution and Canons is required before any Church can be admitted into union

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with the Convention (Canon 2, Sec. 1) and the adoption of the provisions of the repealed act of 1857 can also be required as a condition precedent to such admission."

The Act under which the "Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan" exists is also repealed. This should have the attention of the Convention.

THE CHANGE OF A MISSION TO A PARISH.

The former Canon read: Sec. 7. The change from the "Mission" to the "Parish" may be made when the Station is provided with a Church building and is able to support a Rector without Missionary aid, and on giving written notice to the Bishop and obtaining his consent to the change.

This has been modified to read "When it is provided with a Church building, and on giving written notice to the Bishop, and obtaining the consent of the Bishop and the Board of Missions." The change is wise, the former provisions delayed the advancement, so that there have been only two Parishes formed in the history of the Diocese, and one of these was in course of formation at the organization of the Diocese. The Mission condition too long continued, takes away the stimulus of control, lessens the sense of responsility, gives a sense of inferiority in the Convention, impairs the relation to the Diocese; the Diocese is less at liberty to lessen or withdraw Missionary aid and the Mission clings to it the more tenaciously. I think that such Missions as Petoskey, Mt. Pleasant, Newago, Pentwater, Benton Harbor, Charlotte, St. John's—Grand Rapids; would be in better position as Parishes.

THE SETTLEMENT OF THE CLERGY IN PARISHES.

The recent experience of many clerical changes has impressed on me more than ever, how utterly unchurchly and injurious is the mode by which the Parish secures its Rector. The Parish seeks its spiritual head, much as the merchant secures a clerk, I might say a porter. Information is sought and received from all sources, some of them least intelligent as to what is demanded. We all know how unsatisfactory correspondence is. A visit to the Parish of the Candidate is the best test, yet in this case the Preacher is the great point of interest, and the test sermons may be the product of a busy, anxious week, delivered in pain or weakness of body. True our Canon requires, "Prior to the election the Vestry shall inform the Bishop of the person they propose to elect, that he may have the opportunity of inquiry and suggestion;" but commonly the matter has gone so far before the Bishop is notified, that he must either approve, or place himself in the awkward position of thwarting the will

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of the Parish, and disappointing the already virtually notified candidate.

The Ministry are made self seekers, they are not called nor sent. A Parish is vacant, and no sooner has the Press made known the fact, than applications reach the Vestry, often with self praise and photograph, and offer to appear in the Parish and pulpit. The apology is, and it has force, the Church has no way of providing for its Ministers. But it is humiliating to the Priesthood. It substitutes for being "over us in the Lord," the feeling with which the seeker of a position is regarded when he fills it. It weakens the pastoral tie while it exists, and gives a certain liberty in its dissolution.

Let it not be thought that the speaker has any desire for even a veto on a Vestry choice, "the person chosen being a qualified Minister of the Church." But as the matter seems to lie within the power of the Diocese, I suggest the appointment of a Committee to report to the next Convention, whether some plan may not be devised that may to some extent improve the situation.

THE CLERICAL SALARY.

I had intended to call the attention of the Convention to the average salary of the Clergy in our Diocese. Questions that I have twice asked the Clergy to answer, have received the attention of only twelve, so I am without the needed information—happy if this is an indication of such satisfaction that the matter has no interest.

Clerical compensation will follow the ordinary rule—it will be regulated by abilities and position. The adjustment is not always correct. but there is a greater difficulty that effects the whole subject.

The standard value of Means of Grace through the Ministry is utterly inadequate—plainly put, men and women undervalue their souls, and "things unseen eternal." Hence what is seen in our Parishes of high and low degree, liberal expenditure on person, in home, for travel, for pleasure; but very meager response when the Church is the applicant. Even in the Christian mind and heart often this part of conversion seems wanting, the Communicant walks in the oldness of life—meager payment, and that perhaps with no "willing mind." We need something of that transition that will be noticed when a family moves into a different neighborhood, or a more dignified home; and the purse is daily, oftener opened, and with liberal out-pouring—the standard of living has risen. We see it sometimes realized when leaving a small, feeble Mission, the expensive pew is taken in the prominent Church. With a proper estimate of "the means of grace and the hope of glory," it would be more generally re-

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alized, "They who preach the Gospel, should live of the Gospel."

OMISSIONS AND ADDITIONS IN THE SERVICES.

The Church has not yet emerged entirely from the laxity that prevailed during the period when the revision of the Prayer Book was pending. While the Diocese is in line for Prayer Book conformity as well as Churchmanship, I notice occasionally omissions and additions that have only the authority of the Rector.

Omissions. Leaving out the first lesson. There is no liberty for such omission; and it seems to cast a slight on the elder Testament contrary to the position taken in Article VII, "of the Old Testament." The disuse of the Litany to a degree violating "that no one of these services be habitually disused." The "General Supplication" may not be relegated to the first Sunday in the month, or any other Sunday, or to week day services; no part of our services is more endeared to the hearts of our devotional people; there are intercessions and petitions in it that at times find the most feeling response in individual minds. It should be noted, it is on "days other than the Lord's Day that the Minister may, at his discretion, pass at once from the sentences to the Lord's Prayer." While the use of the Collect, Epistle and Gospel at an early Celebration meets the rule of service, confining them to a service, at which generally only a small part of the congregation are present, deprives them of that prominence that as the key note of the day they should command. As "the Decalogue may be omitted, provided it may be said once on each Sunday," their use would add little to the length of the Services. I cannot think that the rubric in the Evening Prayer, "The Minister may here end the Evening Prayer with such Prayer or Prayers, taken out of this Book as he shall think fit," was designed to allow the omission of all prayers at any time, or as a practice. It is an admirable provision for a selection adapted to the season, as in Lent, or to the occasion as a Missionary Service. The entire omission painfully implies an undervaluing of "prayer, intercessions, and giving of thanks," at least we fear that this impression may prevail, or the far more painful one, that it is a sparing of himself on the part of the Minister.

The apology for such omission is, to shorten the service. The Church has fully met this plea. To those to whom "the dwellings of the Lord of Hosts are amiable," the Services have no unreasonable length, and for those who complain the Minister may be assured that generally nothing will suit them but an attractive discourse accompanied with some brief devotions. If there must be less time spent in the

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House of God, and it is well to note for how many the Lord's Day morning service is their only presence in seven days, let the elaborate music be curtailed. There is no need for a long processional and recessional, and certainly not for occupying time with an offertory anthem.

Additions. "The order for the administration of the Lord's supper or Holy Communion," is complete in itself, and should be sacredly secure from any additions; a preceding hymn, and the blessing followed by a hymn as the choir retires is all that is admissible. "Then shall the Priest let them depart with this blessing."

The recent revision of the Prayer Book makes strict adherence to the rubric the more imperative. The omissions and additions sometimes made have all been considered and their expediency decided against. There is room for improvement in the Services by stricter attention to the text, many a passage is habitually wrongly rendered, collects are introduced in the wrong place; and by adaptations which familiarity with the Book of Common Prayer in its revised form would suggest.

SUBJECTS OF SERMONS.

This address has been taken up more than usually with the Diocesan matters, but before I close I must refer to a feature of the times that affects the Clergy and Laity.

There is a marked temptation in these days to substitute in the pulpit, topics of popular interest for those which constitute the testimony of our Lord committed unto us. The Church is not above being affected with what prevails in the religious bodies around us, where the topics of the day in politics, in municipal interests, in literature; have largely usurped the pulpit. In the audience and the popularity of the Preacher, we suffer in the competition. Then in the decline of Church going, especially at the second Lord's Day Service; it is natural to seek some way of enlarging the congregation. Yet our commission as proceeding from "the Bishop and Shepherd of souls" remains unchanged. "We preach Christ crucified." "Necessity is laid" upon us—the necessity of our ordination vows, of having a good "conscience void of offence" in our Ministry, of securing God's blessing on our labors, "Yea, woe is unto me if I preach not the Gospel." This is no matter of times, and seasons, and events, of our choice, or popularity, or our people's wishes. Nor need we fear the "labor in vain and spending strength for nought"—"the faith once delivered unto the saints," preached fully, boldly, spiritually, has always been the strength of the Church.

Brothers in the Holy Ministry, listen not to the plea from

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whomsoever it may come, "preach to us what other preachers bring into their pulpits, what will fill our Church, what will put your sermons in the newspapers, what will make us a popular church." If you give up your pulpit to such themes, to things temporal; who will impress "the powers of the world to come" on immortal beings whom God has placed in your charge? If you take up the topics of today, who will take up the topics of eternity? Is there not enough of the world and its affairs, even though war is on the land and on the deep, in men's minds, on their tongues, in the necessities of their every day life; without dragging them into God's Holy Day?

Brethren of the Laity, sustain your preachers in devoting the pulpits in your churches, to the welfare of your souls and the souls of yours. Surely you have enough of a world you must soon leave, you want what you will not find in your newspaper, not heard at every board, at every street corner; something that as we have lately prayed, will cause you "in heart and mind to ascend into the heavens," and "exalt you at last" unto the same place, whither our Saviour Christ is gone before.

THE CONVENTION.

The solemnity of the Holy Communion resting upon our minds and hearts, we proceed to the business of the Convention. A Convention should not be regarded as merely the review of the past year, and a repetition of plans for the future. It should bring its members in touch with all the interests of the Diocese. Strengthen existing agencies, supplanting failures with new ventures, looking far into the future, should be its aim. Freedom of speech and proposal should be its spirit. Are there any doubts as to plan or policy, the Convention is the arena for discussion. Here information may be imparted, objections met, situations and conditions disclosed. This is far better than criticisms in private, complaints made in ears that have no concern with them, indifference allowed, and so loyalty impaired.

The Collect.

O Lord, we beseech Thee, let Thy continual pity cleanse and defend Thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without Thy succor, preserve it evermore by Thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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ADDENDUM.

A PRAYER FOR USE DURING THE WAR.

O Most Glorious and Gracious Lord God, who sittest on the throne judging right; in this day of war on the land and on the deep, fervently we pray that Thou wouldst take the cause into Thine own hand, that the safety, honor and welfare of Thy people may be secured. We ask Thee to guide the counsels of our government, to inspire with a true patriotism our people. To protect from the violence of enemies, from sickness and from every evil to which they may be exposed, those who are called into the field, that they may return in safety and honor, or after this painful life ended may dwell with Thee in life everlasting. To comfort the loving hearts in the homes they have left, with patience under anxiety and faith in Thy providence. And finally to hasten the return of peace to our land, all to Thy glory; through our blessed Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

I set forth this form of prayer to be used in the congregations of this Diocese during the continuance of war.
April 27, 1898.

GEO. D. GILLESPIE,
Bishop of Western Michigan.

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JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

The Episcopal visits and visitations are so generally attended with the Bishop's preaching, administering the Holy Communion, and addressing the children, that it is not necessary to mention in every instance.

1897.

June 1–3. Tuesday–Thursday, IONIA, ST. JOHN'S. The Convention. 23 Clergymen and 19 laymen were present, the latter representing 10 Parishes and 4 Missions. The proposed Constitution and Canons were finally adopted. Important action was taken looking to a better system of securing Missionary pledges; to the course to be pursued in regard to Parishes being delinquent on the assessment. With subsequent pledges, $1,690 was promised for Diocesan Missions.

June 6. Whitsunday. AKELEY INSTITUTE. Delivered the Baccalaureate sermon, and made an address in the evening to the pupils.

June 8. Tuesday. The Biennual Meeting of the Board of Trustees. The financial reports showed the payment of the interest on the bonds, by donations from within and without the Diocese, leaving a balance of the interest fund, $119.82. A deficiency of $385.31 was nearly met by drawing on the income for the next year.

June 9. Wednesday. The Commencement. The address was by Mr. E. F. Sweet, on "the relation of women to labor," was clear, sensible and bold, just what our times need. Never before had Akeley welcomed so many guests, and only countenances and words of satisfaction were seen and heard. Eight graduates were sent forth to commend the school by their intelligence, their manners and their characters.

June 13. Trinity Sunday. HASTINGS, EMMANUEL. Assisted in the services and addressed the Congregation on the pastoral tie this day formed.

June 14. Monday evening. BATTLE CREEK, ST. THOMAS'. Confirmed 13. The day was commemorative of the laying of the corner stone 21 years ago. It was my pleasure and that of the Congregation, to meet a former Rector, Rev. J. T. Magrath.

June 20. First Sunday after Trinity. SAUGATUCK, ALL SAINTS.' Officiated twice and confirmed 2. The Church is out of repair and cannot be heated in winter. An occasional service is all that can be secured.

June 27. Second Sunday after Trinity. LUDINGTON,

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GRACE. Officiated twice and baptized an infant. $500 is due on the Guild House, the erection of which was ill judged.

July 4. Third Sunday after Trinity. IONIA, ST. JOHN'S. Ordered Priest Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall. Sermon delivered by the Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D., who presented the candidate.

July 8. Thursday. Left to spend the months of July and August in my cottage at CHARLEVOIX. July 11, 18, 25. August 1, 15, 22, 29, the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th Sundays after Trinity. Officiated and took part in the services in CHRIST CHURCH, CHARLEVOIX. The Rev. Messrs. C. L. Barnes and Lewis Brown kindly assisted me, preaching on four occasions.

August 2. Thursday. EAST JORDAN, REDEEMER. Mission. Officiated.

August 8. Eighth Sunday after Trinity. PETOSKEY, EMMANUEL. Preached, and confirmed 9.

August 9. MANCELONA, NATIVITY. Mission. Preached, and confirmed 4.

August 25. OTSEGO. Solemnized holy matrimony.

September 1. Wednesday. TRAVERSE CITY, GRACE. Preached, and confirmed 3.

September 5. Twelfth Sunday after Trinity. GRAND RAPIDS, GRACE. Assisted in the services, this being the entrance of the Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner in his office as Rector.

September 12. Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity. NILES, TRINITY. Officiated in the vacancy of the Parish.

September 13. Met the Vestry of ST. MARK'S, COLDWATER, in reference to difficulties with the former Rector.

September 16. Thursday. LANSING. In private, solemnized holy matrimony and baptized an infant.

September 19. Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity. DOWAGIAC, ST. ALBAN'S Mission. Officiated at two services. The visit was to keep up the courage of the people in the delay in finding a Minister.

September 26. Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity. PAW PAW, ST. MARK'S. Officiated twice with the General Missionary and confirmed 2, from Lawton.

October 3. Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity. GREENVILLE, ST. PAUL'S Mission. Officiated twice.

October 6. Wednesday. ADRIAN. Solemnized holy matrimony.

October 10. Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity. State House of Correction, Ionia, preached and visited prisoners in their cells.

October 12. Tuesday. SHERMAN. Preached in the Congregational Church and confirmed 5. This will be added to the points under the charge of the General Missionary.

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October 17. Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity. Mt. PLEASANT, ST. JOHN'S. Officiated at both services. The establishment of the State Normal School here promises benefit to the Church. Confirmed 1.

October 19–20. Tuesday–Wednesday. MILWAUKEE. The Missionary Council. These Councils grow in breadth of information and discussion. Could they be held annually in different sections, the results would be happy for the Missionary cause.

October 21. Thursday, NASHOTAH. Present at the reinterment of the remains of James Lloyd Brech, whom I recall with his associates Adams and Hobart in my Seminary days.

October 24. Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity. GRAND RAPIDS, A. M. ST. JOHN'S Mission. Officiated. P. M. ST. MATTHEW'S MISSION. Officiated. I was grieved to hear that a good Sunday School had been given up. Would the people work more and worry less, and be content with such services clerical and lay as they could secure; this Mission need not die. The property is under mortgage and liable to foreclosure. The services if necessary could be transferred to another point.

October 31. Twentieth Sunday after Trinity. GRAND HAVEN, St. JOHN'S, A. M. Preached. Evening. Akeley Institute. Preached.

November 1. All Saints' Day. Akeley Institute. Held the usual services. P. M. ST. MARK'S, GRAND RAPIDS. Addressed the Altar Guild, on active Parochial Association.

November 7. Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity. CHARLOTTE, GRACE MISSION. Officiated twice.

November 14. Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. JOHN'S MISSION. Evening. Conducted the service.

November 16-18. Tuesday and Thursday. HASTINGS EMMANUEL. The semi-annual and Diocesan Church conference.

November 21. Sunday before Advent. MANISTEE, HOLY TRINITY. Officiated twice and confirmed 1, from Nessen City.

November 25. Thanksgiving Day. THE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF. It has almost grown into a habit for me to spend this day with the interesting group of the school.

November 28. Advent Sunday. MUSKEGON, ST. PAUL'S. Officiated in the vacant Parish. Kindly entertained, yet I could but recall the genial hospitality of the Rectory.

December 5. Second Sunday in Advent. DOWAGIAC, ST. ALBAN'S MISSION. Officiated twice. In my last address I stated in regard to this Mission: "There is now an interest that gives hope of settling a clergyman in connection with Cassopolis." In justice to the Diocese and myself, I make

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this statement. From the first I was informed that only a clergyman of decided pulpit ability would be accepted. Though with the meagre salary the task was hard, I endeavored to meet the conditions, and twice spent a Sunday in the Mission to keep up the interest of the people. Finally I received a letter of complaint at the delay, and was informed in no very gracious words, that the subscription was withdrawn and the Mission was "dead." Had there been a true churchly spirit and the people had thought more of their own need of the services and sacraments of the Church, and less of pleasing outsiders, the hope expressed last year might have been realized.

December 8-9. Wednesday and Thursday. KALAMAZOO. THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE BOARD OF CORRECTION AND CHARITIES. This school of instruction on great social problems sustained its reputation.

December 12. Second Sunday in Advent, MENDON, ST. PAUL'S. Officiated twice in the vacant parish.

December 14. Tuesday evening. ST. JAMES' MISSION. Held a conference with the people on securing a Missionary in connection with Mendon.

December 15. Wednesday. In a private house solemnized holy matrimony.

December 19. Third Sunday in Advent. NEWAYGO, ST. MARK'S MISSION. Preached twice. Confirmed one.

December 25. Christmas Day. INDUSTRIAL HOME FOR GIRLS. This was my fourth Christmas here. Spent Sunday after here.

December 28. Holy Innocents. GRACE, GRAND RAPIDS. Administered the Holy Communion.

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January 2. First Sunday after Christmas. TRAVERSE CITY, GRACE. The opening of the Church after removal. A. M. preached.

January 3. Monday. CHARLEVOIX, CHRIST CHURCH. Evening. Officiated.

January 7. Friday evening. GRAND RAPIDS, GRACE. Confirmed Norman Harrison, lately a Congregational minister.

January 9, 16, 23. First, second and third Sunday after Epiphany. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. MARK'S. Officiated on these three Sundays, filling the place of the Assistant prostrated by extreme illness.

January 30. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany. CASSOPOLIS, ST. JAMES' MISSION. Officiated twice in the Chapel leased for services. The people disappoint me in craving what is beyond their ability. I pray that by "God's grace they may return to a better mind."

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February 1. Tuesday morning. GRAND RAPIDS. Solemnized holy matrimony.

February 6. Septuagesima Sunday. HOLLAND, GRACE. Preached twice and confirmed 9. To hold its own and slowly grow stronger is a great deal for a Parish situated as this is.

February 7. Monday. AKELEY INSTITUTE. Addressed the teachers.

February 13. Sexagesima Sunday. COLDWATER, ST. MARK'S. Preached twice and confirmed 3.

February 20. Quinquagesima Sunday. SCHOOLCRAFT, ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH. Preached twice. The Missionary is here three Sundays in the month for morning service.

February 21. Monday. THREE RIVERS. Officiated.

February 23. Ash Wednesday. GRAND HAVEN, ST. JOHN'S. Preached p. m. and evening. AKELEY INSTITUTE. Conducted services for the pupils.

February 27. First Sunday in Lent. PENTWATER, ST. JAMES'. Preached twice and confirmed 8. With services only one Sunday in a month, this Mission has advanced to parochial strength.

February 28. Monday. HART, ST. ANDREW'S MISSION. Preached in the Court House. The Church adherents are very few and have not the interest I could wish.

March 6. Second Sunday in Lent. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. PAUL'S, A. M. Preached. The Sunday School has attained a good size. Evening, TRINITY CHURCH. Preached and noticed the close of the present Rectorship.

March 7. Monday. GREENVILLE, ST. PAUL'S MISSION. Preached and confirmed 4. Like other Missions this should have its resident minister, but the pecuniary ability is lacking.

March 13. Second Sunday in Lent. MICHIGAN STATE PRISON. My annual visit. Preached and met the prisoners who claim some relation to the Church.

March 16. Wednesday. MENDON, ST. PAUL'S. Evening, preached.

March 17. Thursday. STURGIS, ST. JAMES' MISSION. Evening, preached.

March 20. Fourth Sunday in Lent. BENTON HARBOR, HOLY TRINITY. Preached twice and confirmed 7. The Mission does not show its estimation of the able and faithful services of its minister, by attendance on the services, and payment equal to its ability. P. M., ST. JOSEPH, ST. PAUL'S MISSION. Preached and urged to build.

March 23. Wednesday. GRAND HAVEN, ST. JOHN'S. Lectured in the Lent course.

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March 27. Fifth Sunday in Lent. KALAMAZOO, ST. LUKE'S. Preached twice and confirmed 10.

April 3. Sixth Sunday in Lent. ALBION, ST. JAMES'. Preached twice, confirmed 4.

April 5. Tuesday before Easter. Evening. NEWAYGO, ST. MARK'S MISSION. Preached and confirmed 4. The people "have a mind to work, and not to worry about what they know they cannot have," and so the Mission flourishes. It is too often the case a feeble Parish or Mission has a great lack of the former and abundance of the latter.

April 6. Wednesday before Easter. CHARLOTTE, GRACE MISSION. Officiated. April 7. Administered the Holy Communion.

April 8. Good Friday. BIG RAPIDS, ST. ANDREW'S. A. M. preached. P. M. confirmed 5. The Rector being Chaplain of a Regiment has leave of absence from his Parish and is discharging his duties.

April 10. Easter Sunday. MARSHALL, TRINITY, A. M. preached and confirmed 36. BATTLE CREEK, ST. THOMAS', evening. Preached and confirmed 15, a second class.

April 13. Wednesday. HASTINGS, EMMANUEL. Solemnized holy matrimony.

April 17. First Sunday after Easter. HASTINGS, EMMANUEL. Preached twice and confirmed 5. Addressed the vigorous Young People's Society.

April 19-21. Tuesday and Thursday. KALAMAZOO, ST. LUKE'S. The Semi-Annual Diocesan Conference. The absence of the parishoners was another illustration of how difficult it it is to convince the people in the larger parishes that these meetings are for their benefit.

April 22. Friday. ALLEGAN, THE GOOD SHEPHERD. Preached and confirmed 5.

April 24. Second Sunday after Easter. IONIA, ST. JOHN'S. Preached twice, confirmed 9, 2 in private.

April 28. Thursday evening. GRAND RAPIDS. Made an address on the relations of the Kindergarten to youthful crime.

April 25. Monday evening. Attended the Annual Meeting of Butterworth Hospital. It is always painful for me to think that this is no longer the Church's special work and honor.

April 28. Thursday evening. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. MARK'S. Confirmed 7.

May 1. Third Sunday after Easter. PETOSKEY, EMMANUEL. Preached twice and confirmed 3. This is the banner Parish in our northern region. It must happily strike the frequent stranger as to what the church is and can do.

May 2. Monday. TRAVERSE CITY, GRACE. Preached

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and confirmed 8. At last the better days have come, and place and Parish can look each other in the face with more complacency.

May 3. Tuesday. ELK RAPIDS, ST. PAUL'S. Evening, officiated. In long vacancy the people have kept together, led by an earnest Lay reader, and now they see their way clear to have their own Priest. May 4. Wednesday morning. Administered the Holy Communion. The presence of 25 at the altar told the temper of the Parish. Evening, EAST JORDAN, REDEEMER MISSION. Preached and confirmed 3. It is time this church was finished.

May 8. Fourth Sunday after Easter. GRAND RAPIDS, GRACE. A. M., preached, and confirmed 23. Evening, preached.

May 7. Saturday evening. I had the pleasure of meeting socially the deaf mutes of the city with their faithful Shepherd. Preached. P. M. ST. JOHN'S MISSION. Preached. Lay service has been conducted in the morning, the afternoon clerical service is missed. In a city where there are attractive Churches all around, it is very difficult to sustain entirely lay services for a long period.

May 9. Monday. GRAND HAVEN, ST. JOHN'S. Preached and confirmed 8. The Priest in charge is in labors abundant, but he is cheered by better things than I ever knew in this Parish.

May 15. Fifth Sunday after Easter. TRINITY CHURCH, GRAND RAPIDS. Preached, and was glad to assure the people of being under the charge of a Deacon soon to be a Priest. P. M., held a service at the Poor House of Kent County, large enough to rank with State institutions.

May 22. Sunday after Ascension Day. MUSKEGON, ST. PAUL'S. A. M., preached and confirmed 13. P. M., ST. LUKE'S, preached. Evening, ST. MARK'S, preached.

May 29. Whitsunday. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. MATTHEW'S MISSION. A. M., officiated and baptized an infant.

May 31. Tuesday. BATTLE CREEK. The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary. Made an address and attended the Meetings.

SUNDRY MEETINGS.

During the year I have attended sundry meetings, etc., as follows:

DIOCESAN BOARDS.

Board of Missions.—1897, June 3, 23, September 21; 1898, February 18, May 31.—5.

The Association of the Diocese and the Board of Trustees.—1897, June 3. 1898, May 31.—3.

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Parishes and Vestries.—1897, June 27, Ludington, Grace; July 1, Marshall, Trinity; September 12, Niles, Trinity; 13, 14, Coldwater, St. Mark's; October 14, S. W. Mission, Grand Rapids; November 21, Manistee, Holy Trinity; 28, Muskegon, St. Paul's; December 12, Mendon, St. Paul's. 1898: March 6, Grand Rapids, Trinity; March 20, St. Joseph, St. Paul's; April 27, Grand Rapids, Trinity.—12.

The Clericus. 1897: October 8; November 2; December 7. 1898: February 8; April 26.—5.

Examination of Candidates.—1897: June 30. 1898: March 22.

Akeley Institute.—1897: June 6, 7, 8, 9. Sermon, Trustee Meeting, Commencement; November 1, All Saints' Day. 1898: February 7, service; 23, Ash Wednesday; March 23; service; May 9, service.—9.

Miscellaneous.—Butterworth Hospital, April 25.

Commission on Parochial Limits.—May 12, 1898.

The Board of Corrections and Charities.—Meetings, 1897: June 10, October 1, November 4, 30, December 8; 1898: January 1, February 4, March 31.—8.

Visits to Institutions.—1897: July 1, Asylum, Kalamazoo; September 13, State School; 30, Asylum, Traverse City; October 1, Asylum for Criminal Insane; October 6, Industrial Home for Girls; October 10, House of Correction; November 4, Detroit House of Correction; 25, School for the Deaf; December 25, Industrial Home for Girls. 1898. January 6, School for the Blind; February 4, School for the Deaf, Asylum, Pontiac; 14, the State School; March 3, Industrial Home for Girls; 13, State Prison; 31, Home for Feeble Minded; Industrial Home for Boys.—17.

SUMMARY.

Baptized infants	4
Married	6
Buried	7
Preached	99
Addresses delivered not including Confirmation	19
Children's services and addresses	23
Celebrated the Holy Communion	37
Confirmed in 19 Parishes and 10 Missions	233
Meetings and Conferences	77
Organized Parishes visited, 23; Missions, 19, and other places, 2. Visited one time, 23; two times, 15; three times, 3; four times, 2; five times, 1; six times, 1; seven times, 1. Total	88
Clergymen received	5
Clergymen transferred	7
Clergymen in the Diocese accepting and changing Parishes, and resigning Parishes	3
Services participated in	150
Visits to Schools	20
Visits to State Institutions	17
Visits to Jails	23
Visits to Poor Houses	15

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VISITS OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

1897: October 19, The Missionary Council, Milwaukee. October 21, Nashotah.—2.

LAY READERS.

Holding license till Easter 1899:

Nathan D. Beedon, Christ, Homer, March 18, 1891.

Horatio B. Lewis, St. Paul's Elk Rapids, May 25, 1892.

E. S. Bennett, St. Mark's, Newaygo, February 25, 1898.

St. Quentin H. Williams, Emmanuel, Petoskey, February 7, 1896.

Alfred Bullock, St. Luke's, Muskegon, October 3, 1897.

Charles K. Seymour, St. John's, Grand Rapids, June 23, 1897.

C. Elmer Jameson, The Diocese, October 19, 1895.

J. W. Watson, Grace Mission, Charlotte.

Charles A. Stevenson, Grace, Holland, January 30, 1889.

Ralph S. Garwood, Trinity, Marshall, September 22, 1896.

Norman Harrison, St. James' Mission, Sturgis, and St. Paul's, Mendon, January 27, 1898.

Wm. J. Reithard, St. Luke's, Kalamazoo, June 17, 1897.

Charles R. Wilkes, Good Shepherd, Allegan, February 9, 1892.

POSTULANTS.

D. Charles White, Hobart College, September 4, 1895.

CANDIDATES FOR PRIESTS' ORDERS.

Eben Perry Sturges Miller, Seabury Hall, January 12, 1898.

Norman Harrison, Mendon, March 22, 1898.

The names of Charles Willougby Vincent, Postulant; Herbert Stanley Knill, Candidate for Deacon's Orders only, and Charles Sylvester Worden, Postulant, were stricken from the list, January 10, 1898. These removals were for causes not affecting their moral character. Vincent and Knill withdrew their names.

ORDAINED.

July 4, 1897, in St. John's Church, Ionia, ordered Priest, Cyrus Mendenhall. Presented by the Rev. W. H. Thomas, D. D.

LETTERS DIMISSORY GRANTED.

The date given is that of acceptance by the Ecclesiastical Authority to whom transmitted.

May 31, 1897—The Rev. William W. Taylor, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of Pennsylvania. Resigned Emmanuel Church, Hastings, April 18, 1897.

October 28, 1897—The Rev. Lewis C. Rogers, to the Ec-

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clesiastical authority of Chicago. Resigned St. John's Church, Grand Haven, July 1, 1896.

December 11, 1897—The Rev. Carl Reed Taylor, to the Ecclesiastical authority of Minnesota. Resigned the charge of St. Paul's, Mendon and St. James' Mission, Sturgis, November 30, 1897.

November 13, 1897—The Rev. Philip Wheeler Mosher, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of Western New York. Resigned the charge of St. Paul's, Muskegon, November 15, 1897.

February 14, 1898—The Rev. Thomas Hines, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of Nebraska. Resigned the charge of Holy Trinity Church, Manistee, November 1, 1897.

April 6, 1898—The Rev. John B. Hubbs, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of Western New York. Resigned the charge of Grace Church, Grand Rapids, July 1, 1897.

April 12, 1898—The Rev. H. H. Johnston, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of Albany. Resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, March 6, 1898.

June 8, 1898—The Rev. Marcus Henry Martin, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of Los Angeles.

LETERS DIMISSORY ACCEPTED.

The date given is that of the acceptance by the Ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese.

January 7, 1898. The Rev. Charles T. Stout, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Indiana. Entered on his duties as Rector of Grace Church, Traverse City, January 1, 1898.

February 19, 1898. The Rev. John Newton McCormick, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Georgia. Entered on his duties as Rector of St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, February 20, 1898.

January 18, 1898. The Rev. Jeremiah Evarts Walton, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Florida. Entered on his duties as temporarily in charge of Trinity Church, Marshall, November 1, 1897.

March 2, 1898. The Rev. Frederick Hall, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Michigan. Entered on his duties as Rector of Trinity Church, Niles, March 1, 1898.

April 2, 1898. The Rev. George Forsey, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Michigan. Entered on his duties as Rector of St. Paul's Church, Muskegon, April 10, 1898.

May 24, 1898. The Rev. John Sword, from the Ecclesiastical authority of Fond du Lac. Entered on his duties as Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Manistee.

CHANGES IN THE DIOCESE.

September 1, 1897. The Rev. Robert Hutchins Fortescue Gairdner, became Rector of Grace Church, Grand Rapids,

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having resigned charge of Trinity Church, Niles, September 1, 1897.

September 1, 1897. The Rev. William Westover, became Rector of Grace Church, Ludington, having resigned Missionary charge of St. John's, Mt. Pleasant, September 1, 1897.

October 15, 1897. The Rev. Albert Emory Wells, B. D., ceased to officiate in Grace Church, Traverse City.

November 1, 1897. The Rev. Sidney Beckwith resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Marshall.

MISSIONS ORGANIZED.

February 1, 1898. Grace, Lyons.

FUNDS RECEIVED.

For Akeley Institute:

Mrs. T. J. O'Brien, Grand Rapids	$ 10 00
Mt. Calvary, Baltimore	25 00
Mrs. A. M. Tateum, Grand Rapids	15 00
Frederick C. Miller, " "	10 00
Miss R. L. Richmond, " "	150 00
Mrs. M. H. Fowler, Ft. Logan	60 00
Miss Annie W. Noch, Glassboro, N. J	10 00
St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids	30 00
Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Bancroft, Hastings	10 00
R. Connable, Petoskey	1 00
Augusta C. Wallen, East Orange, N. J	37 50
C. R. Wilkes, Coupon, Allegan	15 00
Interest	2 30
	$375 80

The Bishop's Trust Fund:

Woman's Auxiliary	$ 15 50
Young Ladies' Bible Class, Kalamazoo	15 00
St. Luke's Guild, Kalamazoo	10 00
Junior Auxiliary, Kalamazoo	5 00
Daughters of the King, Battle Creek	5 00
Woman's Auxiliary, Hastings	6 25
St. James', Sturgis	3 00
	$59 75

The Christmas Fund:

Friends in the Diocese	$150 00

The Confirmees Fund:

Received from June 1, 1897	$132 45

NOTICES OF CLERGY DEPOSED.

November 2, 1897.—Rev. Theophilus Momolu Gardiner, Deacon, by the Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas and parts adjacent.

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May 31, 1897. Rev. Alexis I. du P. Coleman, Priest.

November 2, 1897. Rev. Andrew H. Miller, Priest; by the Bishop of Delaware. "Both of these depositions were for reasons not affecting the moral character of those deposed."

September 8, 1897. Rev. Jocelyn Johnstone, Presbyter, by the Bishop of New Jersey. "For causes not affecting his moral character.

October 15, 1897. Rev. William Herbert Assheton, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Pennsylvania. "At his own request and for causes not affecting his moral character."

October 20, 1897. Rev. Herbert Lansdowne Gamble, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

October 28, 1897. Rev. Walter H. Ayers, Deacon, by the Bishop of Chicago. "For causes not affecting his moral character."

January 1, 1898. Rev. Jacob Dyk, Deacon, by the Missionary Bishop of South Dakota.

January 15, 1898. Rev. Chiang Tun P'an, Deacon, by the Missionary Bishop of Shanghai and the Lower Tsi Valley.

January 18, 1898. Rev. Clarence E. Webb, Priest; Rev. Dewi Herbert McAlpine Jones, Deacon; by the Bishop of Colorado. "At their own request."

January 21, 1898. Rev. Montgomery Moore Goodwin, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

February 25, 1898. Rev. Charles L. Fitchett, Priest, by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

March 15, 1898. Gilbert Fearing Williams, Priest, by the Bishop of Washington. "Under the findings of the Ecclesiastical Court."

March 24, 1898. Rev. James James Jamieson, Presbyter, by the Bishop of New Jersey.

March 31, 1898. Rev. David Jones, Priest, by the Bishop of Pittsburgh. "For causes not affecting his moral character."

April 14, 1898. George Hamilton Bell, Presbyter, by the Bishop of North Carolina, in charge of Asheville.

May 13, 1898. Thomas I. Morris, by the Bishop of Texas. "For causes not affecting his moral character."

RESTORED TO THE HOLY MINISTRY.

February 6, 1898. George H. Yarnall, by the Bishop of Newark.

POSTULANTS AND CANDIDATES DROPPED.

October 29, 1897. Thomas Nicholas Goodburne, Candidate for Deacon's Orders, by the Bishop of Marquette.

October 30, 1897. William Leslie French, Candidate for

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Deacon's and Priest's Orders, by the Bishop of New York.

November 11, 1897. William Watson, Candidate for Holy Orders, by the Bishop of Fond du Lac.

December 10, 1897. Charles H. Kues, Candidate for Holy Orders, by the Bishop of Maryland. "At his own request and for reasons not affecting his moral character."

May 15, 1897. William Anthony Clark, Candidate for Priest's Orders, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

June 4, 1897, Arthur Griffin, Candidate for Holy Orders, by the Bishop of Olympia.

June 14, 1897. John Oxford Higgons, Candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders, by the Bishop of New York. "For causes not affecting his moral character."

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APPENDIX B.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

St. James' Church, Albion, County of Calhoun, 1867.

The Rev. H. P. Vicborn, Rector (1896).
C. Howard Daskam, Creighton B. Lane, Wardens.
C. B. Lane, Secretary.
C. H. Daskam, Treasurer.
Rev. H. P. Vicborn, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 35; adults, 95; children, 20; total, 115. Of these, baptized persons, 114. Baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 1; total 3. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 74. Confirmed during the year, 3. Communicants, last reported, 75; admitted, 3; received 5; total added, 8. Died, 3; removed, 6; total lost, 9. Present number male and female, 74. Burials, 7. Public services, Sundays, 149; holy days, 7; week days, 41; total, 197. Holy Communion, public 72; private, 6. Sunday School, no report. Subscribers to Church Helper, 7; Names of Parochial Societies: St. Elizabeth's Guild, Woman's Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $17.29; from the offertory, $139.99; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $13.04; subscriptions, $461.20; Women's Guilds, $70; Children's Guilds, $9.50; other sources, $45.20.

Total, $756.22.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $13.04; for the Rector's salary, $465.02; for insurance, $41.15; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $100.84; by St. Elizabeth's Guild, towards Rector's house rent, $70; by the the Sunday School, for gas fixtures, $9.50.

Total for Parochial objects, $699.55.

For objects within the Diocese—No report.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—No report.

Total of Disbursements, $699.55.

Balance in hand at Easter, $56.67.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church $5,000. Indebtedness, floating, $33.83 (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $18.83; missionary pledges, $15). Salary of the Rector, $500. Insurance, on the church, $3,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

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REMARKS.

The Treasurer kept no record of the monies sent out of the Parish, consequently it has been impossible to incorporate the same in the above report.

Good Shepherd Church, Allegan, County of Allegan, 1858.

The Rev. William Lucas, Rector (1895).
Charles R. Wilkes, Lay Reader.
William B. Williams, Almeron Calkins, Wardens.
Lyman Lilly, Secretary.
Frank H. Williams, Treasurer.
Lyman Lilly, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 65; adults, 192; children, 46; total, 238; of these, baptized persons, 177. Baptized during the year, infants, 7; adults, 1; total 8. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 143. Confirmed during the year, 5. Communicants last reported, 146; admitted, 5; received, 2; total added, 7. Died, 2; removed, 7; dropped, 1; total lost, 10. Present number male, 45; female, 98; total, 143. Marriages, 4. Burials, 5. Public services, Sundays, 90; holy days, 10; week days, 48; total, 148. Holy Communion, public, 20; private, 4. Sunday School; teachers and officers, male, 6; female, 6; total, 12. Pupils, male, 36; female, 50; total, 86; average attendance, 60. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of volumes, Parish library, 20; S. S. library, 300. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid, Altar Guild, Woman's Auxiliary, Christian Endeavor. Have held missionary services, monthly Sunday School, 12 times; Advent and Epiphany Missionary sermons.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From envelope system, $981.72; Women's Auxiliary (money only, not box values), $30; Women's Guilds, $150; other sources, $64.40.
Total, $1,226.12.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary (paid to June 1, 1898), $900; for other salaries, $133; for repairs on the church and rectory, $25.80; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $49.92; the increase and improvement of Church property, $40; by the Sunday School for general expenses, $25. Total for Parochial objects, $1,153.72.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $25; assessment of the convention, $66.90; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $8; services for deaf mutes, $3.95; Bishop's trust fund, $4.50; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $10; Akeley Institute Confirmees fund, $3.
Total for Diocesan objects, $121.35.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $4.65; foreign missions, $5.85; Societies for the conversion of Jews, $1; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $30; by the Sunday School, for missions (general), $53.07; seamen's aid, $19. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $113.57.
Total of Disbursements, $1,388.64.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $5,500; rectory, $1,500; total $7,000. Indebtedness, floating, $10; missionary pledges, $10. Salary of the Rector $900 and Rec-

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tory. Insurance, on the church and rectory, $5,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sitting, 250; of these, free, 250.

Bishop's Address, page 94.

St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, County of Calhoun, 1842.

The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D., Rector (1894).
George Dolliver, Lay Reader.
Hon. George Willard, Dr. A. T. Metcalf, Wardens.
F. C. Stillson, Secretary.
Dr. A. T. Metcalf, Treasurer.
Dr. James H. Reed, Superintendent of Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 195; adults, 485; children, 270; total 755; of these, baptized persons, 630. Baptized during the year, infants, 16; adults, 13; total, 29. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 350. Confirmed during the year, 28. Communicants last reported, 329; admitted, 28; received, 8; total added, 36. Died, 5; dropped, 10; total lost, 15. Present number male, 99; female, 251; total, 350. Marriages, 8. Burials, 17. Public services, Sundays, 138; holy days, 86; week days, 30; total, 254. Holy Communion, public, 75; private, 12. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 13; total, 16. Pupils, male, 60; female, 80; total, 140; average attendance, 90. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of volumes, Sunday School library, 165. Subscribers to Church Helper, 15. Names of Parochial Societies: Parish Aid, Daughters of the King, Sanctuary Guild, Choir Guild, St. Andrew's Brotherhood. Have held missionary services in Cresco and Homer 4 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $93.17; from the offertory, $426.84; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $119.95; pew rents, $1909.36; subscriptions, $466.90; Woman's Auxiliary (money only, not box values), $55; Women's Guilds, $464.97; the Sunday School, $91.78; other sources, $162.58. Total, $3,790.55.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $106.54; for the Rector's salary, $1,800; for other salaries, $422.29; for insurance, $55.84; for repairs on church and rectory, $110.83; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $810.49; for the Sunday School, $67.44. Total for Parochial objects, $3,373.43.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $75; assessment of the convention, $162.74; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $13.41; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $5; Bishop's trust fund, $8; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $25; Akeley Institute, $5.

Total for Diocesan objects, $294.15.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $50; by the Sunday School, for missions, $25.28.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $75.28.

Total of Disbursements, $3,742.86.

Balance in hand, $47.69.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $20,000; chapel, $4,000; rectory, $3,000; lot for Parish

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House, $2,500. Indebtedness, secured, $500. Salary of the Rector, $1,800 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $11,000; rectory, $1,500; total, $12,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 400; of these, rented, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 89-94-95.

St. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids, County of Mecosta, 1873.

The Rev. Wm. E. Wright, B. D., Rector. (1894.)
Charles F. Stearns, Jno. W. Nesbitt, Wardens.
Chas. F. Stearns, Secretary.
James Smith, Treasurer.
Wm. E. Wright, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 24; adults, 130; Children, 75; total, 205. Of these, baptized persons, 150. Baptized during the year, Infants, 5, total, 5. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 60. Confirmed during the year, 5. Communicants, last reported, 60. Died, 5; removed, 7; total lost, 12. Present number, male, 14; females, 46; total, 60. Marriages, 1. Burials, 5. Public services, Sundays, 130; week days, 40; total, 170. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4, total, 5; pupils, 60; average attendance, 30. Catechising, number of times, 52. Subscribers to Church Helper, 9. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid: St. Andrew's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $2.17; from the Offertory, $100.16; the envelope system, $255.74; individual gifts, $10; Women's Guilds, $205.67; other sources, $78.90. Total, $652.64.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the parish - For the Rector's salary, $448.52; for other salaries, $49.50; for all other expenses of parish maintenance, $43.57. Total for Parochial objects, $541.59.

For objects within the Diocese - Diocesan Mission, $14.07; Assessment of the Convention, $47.42; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $3.00; Bishop's Trust Fund, $10.71; Union Benevolent Society, $3.70.

Total for Diocesan objects, $78.90.
Total of Disbursements, $620.49.
Balance in hand, $32.50.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $2,500; rectory, $1,400; total, $3,900. Indebtedness, floating, $346.40, (of this, due the Diocese on Assessment, $71.40). Salary of the Rector $450 and Rectory. Insurance, on the Church and Rectory, total, $3,150. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 94.

REMARKS.

The Rector has been granted leave of absence during the war, having been commissioned Chaplain of the 34th Michigan Volunteers. The services will be kept up by visiting Clergymen under the advice of the Bishop.

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St. Mark's Church, Coldwater, County of Branch, 1848.

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby, Rector, (1895.)
N. P. Loveridge, H. Milnes, Wardens.
C. D. Randall, Secretary.
E. R. Root, Treasurer.
H. P. Woodward, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 110. Baptized during the year, infants, 5; total, 5. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 165; confirmed during the year, 3, Communicants, last reported, 159; admitted, 3; total added, 3. Present number, male, 47; female, 115; Total, 162. Marriages, 4. Burials, 7. Public services, Sundays, 154; holy days, 44; week days, 95; total, 248. Holy Communion, public, 63. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 8; total, 10; pupils, 72; average attendance, 47. Catechising, number of times, 48. Number of volumes, Sunday School Library, 345. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Parish Aid, Woman's Auxiliary, Junior Auxiliary, St. Agatha's Guild, Brotherhood of St. Andrew and Boys' Branch, Christian Endeavor.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $18.23; from the offertory, $307.33; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $31.25; pew rents, $892.40; other sources, $166.67 by loan; $48.60 collected for assessment; $80 collected for Diocesan Missions. Total, $1,544.48.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to April 1, 1897, $166.67, 1898, $916.66) $1083.33; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $35.09; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $221.35, of above loan, $10. Total for Parochial Objects, $1,349.77.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $80; assessments of the Convention, $68.14; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $3.50; services for Deaf Mutes, $5; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5.

Total for Diocesan objects, $161.64.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions, $16.25; Societies for the Conversion of Jews, $1.50.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $17.75.

Total of Disbursements, $1529.16.

Balance in hand, $15.32.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $14,000; chapel, $2,700; total, $16,700. Indebtedness, floating, $450. Salary of the Rector, $1,000. Insurance, on the Church, $8,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 400; of these, free, 125.

Bishop's Address, pages 90–93.

St. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids, County of Antrim, 1870.

Rectorship vacant.
H. B. Lewis, Lay Reader.
H. B. Lewis, Joseph Butler, Wardens.
R. W. Bagot, Secretary.
C. D. Towne, Treasurer.
C. D. Towne, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 41; adults, 113; children, 62; total, 175. Of these, baptized persons, 142. Baptized during the year, infants, 8; total, 8. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 69. Communicants, last reported, 57; admitted, 7; received, 2; total added, 9. Died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2. Present number male, 19; female, 45; total, 64. Burials, 2. Holy Communion; public, 10. Sunday School, teachers and officers. male, 3; female, 4; total, 7. Pupils, male, 28; female, 42; total, 70; average attendance, 45. Number of volumes Sunday School library, 50. Subscribers to Church Helper, 4. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild, St. Andrew's Brotherhood.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $3.70; from the offertory, $214.98; Women's Guilds, $89.00; the Sunday School, $70.58; other sources, $11.85.

Total, $390.11.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For services, $85.50; for other salaries, $10.50; for repairs on the Church and rectory, $0.30; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $31.60; interest, $1.29; the increase and improvement of Church property, (Organ) $150; by the Sunday School, for Sunday School, $37.03.

Total for Parochial objects, $316.22.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $15; assessment of the Convention, $1.98; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $5.62; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.73; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan Missions, $5. Total for Diocesan objects, $31.33.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions, $2.50; by the Sunday School, for General missions, $28.55.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $31.05.

Total of Disbursements, $378.60.

Balance in hand, $11.51.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $5,000; investments, $13.28: total, $5,013.28. Indebtedness, floating, $50. Insurance, on the Church, $2,500; other property, $500; total $3,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 95.

St. John's Church, Grand Haven, County of Ottawa, 1866.

The Rev. James Edward Wilkinson, Priest in charge (1896).
E. Stanton Bliss, Lay Reader.
R. C. Duryea, William Summers, Wardens.
E. Stanton Bliss, Secretary.
Charles Christmas, Treasurer.
Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, adults, 186; children, 50; total, 236; of these, baptized persons, 225. Baptized during the year, infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. Confirmed during the year, 7. Communicants, last reported, 127; admitted, 8; received, 8; total added, 16. Died, 2; removed, 9;

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total lost, 11. Present number, male, 44; female, 88; total, 132. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 174; holy days, 43; week days, 71; total, 288. Holy Communion, public, 80; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 7; total, 8. Pupils, male, 24; female, 33; total, 57; average attendance, 45. Catechising, number of times, 12. Subscribers to Church Helper, 16. Names Parochial Societies: Woman's Auxiliary, Ladies' Aid Society, Altar Society, Daughters of the King, Junior Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $29.13; from the offertory, $218.03; Subscriptions, $448.13; individual gifts, $17.42; Junior Auxiliary and Woman's Auxiliary (money only, not box values), $24.35; Women's Guilds, $260.40; income from investments, $132; the Sunday School, $39.04.

Total, $1,168.50.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary (paid to May 19, 1898), $600; for other salaries, $131.72; for insurance, $27.52; for repairs on the church and rectory, $62.06; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $83.22; note and interest, $40.01; for the Sunday School, $16.88.

Total for Parochial objects, $961.41.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $37.48; assessment of the convention, arrears paid ($14.98), $49.41; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $3.69; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $2; Bishop's trust fund, $4.26; Diocesan church building fund, $1; Akeley Institute confirmee fund, $5.75.

Total for Diocesan objects, $103.59.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, Junior Auxiliary, $22.16; domestic missions, Junior Auxiliary, $2.88; colored missions, Junior Auxiliary, $1.47; missions for colored people (South Carolina), $5.88; bible and common prayer book societies, $3.12; societies for the conversion of Jews, $3.26; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $18; Western Seamen's Society, $6.08.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $62.85.

Total of Disbursements, $1,127.85.

Balance in hand, $40.65.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $6,000; chapel, $500; rectory, $1,200; total, $7,700. Indebtedness, secured, $750. Insurance, on the church and Guild room, $3,500; rectory, $800; total, $4,300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250.

Bishop's Address, pages 93-95.

St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1836.

The Rev. Jno. Newton McCormick, Rector, (1898.)
The Rev. Chas. R. Hodge, Assistant Minister.
W. R. Shelby, C. G. A. Voigt, Wardens.
A. C. Torrey, Secretary.
W. J. Stuart, Treasurer.
Chas. S. Burch, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 459; adults, 750; children, 400; total, 1,150. Of these, baptized persons, 1000. Baptized during the year, infants, 8; adults,

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3; total, 11. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 900: confirmed during the year, 7. Communicants, last reported, 653; admitted, 11; received, 5; total added, 16. Died, 6; removed, 2; dropped, 2; total lost, 10. Present number male and female, 659. Marriages, 9. Burials, 19. Public services, Sundays, 142; holy days and week days, 145; total, 287. Holy Communion, public, 84; private, 8. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 6; female, 8; total, 14. Pupils, male, 50; female, 100; total, 150; average attendance, 100. Catechising, number of times, 10. Subscribers to Church Helper, 50. Names of Parochial Societies; Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Altar Guild, Woman's Auxiliary, Young Woman's Society, Industrial Band, Helping Hand.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $1,313.50; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $184.73; pew rents, $4,562.26; subscriptions, $210; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $155; Women's Guilds, $970.09; the Sunday School, $136.03; other sources, $1,451.66.

Total, $8,983.33.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported) $184.73; For the Rector's salary, (all Clerical stipends) $3,113.50; for other salaries, (Sexton) $477; for insurance, $89.75; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $323.56; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $648.32; for music and choir expenses, $504.99; paid on indebtedness, $973.27; for Parish societies, expended in Church decoration and in charities, $970.09; for the Sunday School, $116.03. Expenses in connection with call and settlement of Rector, $408.83.

Total for Parochial Objects, $7,810.07.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $450; assessment of the Convention, $371.07; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $34.98; services for Deaf Mutes (not reported to vestry); Bishop's Trust Fund ($20 by Woman's Auxiliary), $29.51.

Total for Diocesan objects, $885.56.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $41.24; domestic missions, $100; foreign missions, $27; total, $168.24. (Through Woman's Auxiliary, $137; through Sunday School, $20.(

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $168.24.

Total of Disbursements, $8,863.87.

Balance in hand, $119.46.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church and Chapel, $65,000; total, $65,000. Indebtedness, floating, $2,400; secured, $1.500. Salary of Rector, $3,000 and rent of Rectory. Insurance on the Church, $13,500; other property, $4,500; total, $18,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 1,100. All pews are subject to rental.

Bishop's Address, pages 91–92–94.

REMARKS.

The Parish was without a Rector until February 20; this fact, together with the long and serious illness of the Assistant Minister, accounts for the falling off in some items of parochial statistics.

The fiscal year of the Parish is from March to March.

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Grace Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1875.

The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner, Rector (1897.)
George E. Luther, Charles Seymour, Lay Readers.
Jacob Kleinhans, Wm. H. Raiguel, Wardens.
Frederick C. Stratton, Secretary.
George E. Hardy, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 75. Baptized during the year, infants, 14; adults, 1; total, 15. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 301. Confirmed during the year, 24. Communicants, last reported, 213; admitted, 23; received, 65; total added, 88. Present number male, 89; female, 212; total, 301. Marriages 3. Burials, 12. Public services, Sundays, 144; holy days, 20; week days, 74. Holy Communion, public 81. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 6; female, 15; total, 21. Pupils, male, 80; female, 120; total, 200. Catechising, number of times, 20. Names of Parochial Societies: The Ladies' Aid Society, Grace Church Guild, St. Catherine's Guild, St. Anna's Guild, St. Margaret's Guild, St. Mary's Guild, St. Agnes' Guild, Grace Church Altar Guild, St. Elizabeth's Guild, the Guild of the Little St. Agnes, the Guild of the Little St. Mary, the Woman's Auxiliary, St. Andrew's Brotherhood. Have held Missionary services in St. John's 4 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $248.91; from the offertory, $844.61; the envelope system, $1,409.47; subscriptions, $19.50; individual gifts, $15.50; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $20; Women's Guilds, $893.61; the Sunday School, $190.85; other sources, $902.36.

Total, $4,544.81.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $950; for other salaries, $591; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $314.36; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $263.30; the increase and improvement of Church property, $125; paid on indebtedness, $825; paid interest on indebtedness, $1209.33; by the Sunday School, for its own work, $114.96. Total for Parochial objects, $4,392.95.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the Convention, $69.29; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan Missions, $25; Akeley Institute, $6.50. Total for Diocesan objects, $100.79.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $20.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $20.

Total of Disbursements, $4,513.74.

Balance in hand, $31.07.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $30,000; Rectory, $6,000. Indebtedness, secured, $14,650. Salary of the Rector, $1,200 and Rectory. Insurance, on the Church, $14,000; Rectory, $1,500; total, $15,500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 600, of these free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 90–92–95.

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St. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1872.

The Rev. Arthur H. Locke, Rector (1896.)
Charles Folger, Lay Reader.
Thomas Brinton, Manly Jones, Wardens.
Frank Donahue, Secretary.
George Cooper, Treasurer.
E. F. Sweet, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 125; adults, 210; children, 125; total, 335. Of these baptized persons, 300. Baptized during the year, infants, 10; total, 10. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 168. Communicants, last reported, 123; received 16; total added, 16. Died 4; removed, 24; total lost, 28. Present number, male, 27; female, 84; total, 111. Marriages, 3. Burials, 6. Public services, Sundays, 109; holy days, 19; week days, 36; total, 164. Holy Communion, public, 18; private, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 8; total, 11. Pupils, male, 52; female, 73; total, 125; average attendance, 91. Catechising number of times, 10. Number of volumes Sunday School Library, 150. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2. Names of Parochial Societies: Men's Club, Ladies' Aid, Altar Guild, Senior Junior League.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $12.20; from the offertory, $113.99; Pew rents, $645.46; Women's Guilds, $146.30; Men's Guilds, $125; Children's Guilds, $59.13; the Sunday School, $98.68. Total, $1,200.76.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to June 1st) $720.00; for other salaries, $105; for repairs on Church and Rectory, $100; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $133.54; paid on indebtedness on Guild House debt, $48.00; for the Sunday School, $84.22. Total for Parochial objects, $1,190.76.

For objects within the Diocese—No report.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—No report.

Total of Disbursements, $1,190.76.
Balance in hand, $10.00.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $3,000; Chapel, $800; total, $3,800. Indebtedness, floating, $200.00; secured, $80. Salary of the Rector, $720. Insurance, on the Church, $2,500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, 64, rented 186.

Bishop's Address, page 93.

REMARKS.

No confirmations appear this year as the Bishop's visitation has been deferred to June.

Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1886.

The Rev. C. R. Stearns, Rector (Sept. 1,1898.)
Wm. H. Tibbs, Dwight Allen, Wardens.
Robert Teele, Secretary.
W. F. Rea, Treasurer.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 30; adults, 103; children, 39; total, 142. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 142. Communicants, last reported, 245. Removed, 12; not found, 100, total lost, 112. Present number, male, 74; female, 68; total, 142. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4; total, 5. Pupils, male, 20; female, 30; total, 50; average attendance, 30. Names of Parochial Societies: Trinity Church Guild, Altar Guild, St. Ann's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $35.29; from the offertory, $120.75; the envelope system, $537.47; subscriptions, $7; Women's Guilds, $33; Children's Guilds, $22. Total, $755.51.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $609.31; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $23.26; for interest on loan, $47.80; for coal and light, $63.06.

Total for Parochial objects, $743.43.

For objects within the Diocese—No report.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—No report.

Total of Disbursements, $743.43.

Balance in hand, $12.08.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $6,000. Indebtedness, floating, $325; (of this, due the Diocese on Assessment $373.29; Missionary pledges, $118.25.) Secured, $1,600. Insurance, on the Church, $2,000; other property, $1,000; total, $3,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 350; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 93–95.

Emmanuel Church, Hastings, County of Barry, 1863.

The Rev. Charles D. Atwell, Rector (1897.)
Henry A. Goodyear, David G. Robinson, Wardens.
Marcus W. Riker, Secretary.
John F. Goodyear, Treasurer.
Mrs. Ellen Robinson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 103; adults, 178; children, 110; Total, 288. Baptized during the year, infants, 7; adults, 7; total, 14. Confirmed during the year, 5. Communicants, last reported, 130; received, 2. Died, 1; dropped, 2; total lost, 3. Present number, male, 26; female, 108; total, 134. Marriages, 11. Burials, 10. Public services, Sundays, 98; holy days, 11; week days, 140; total, 249. Holy Communion, public, 70; private, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 12; total, 15. Pupils, male, 34, female, 50; total, 84; average attendance, 51. Catechising, number of times, 52. Subscribers to Church Helper, 26. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid, Woman's Auxiliary, St. Agnes' Guild, Boys' Club. Have held service at County house, 2.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

The envelope system, $683.91; subscriptions, $343.69; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $40.94; Women's Guilds, $274.32; Children's Guilds, $18; the Sunday School, $62.72; other sources, $129.10; United offering Woman's Auxiliary, $4.05. Total, $1557.45.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $839; for other salaries, $135.50; for insurance, $73.60; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $19.26; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $200.56; the increase and improvement of Church property, $148; for the Sunday School, $3.25. Total for Parochial objects, $1,423.22.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $25; assessment of the Convention, $32.50; services for Deaf Mutes, $3.50; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocesan missions, $27; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5.75; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $5; by the Sunday School, for Barry County Sunday School Association, $1.96; United offering Woman's Auxiliary, $4.05.

Total for Diocesan objects, $104.76.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions, $3.90; societies for the conversion of Jews, $1.55; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, Mrs. Buford, $2.25; by the Sunday School, for Lenten savings, $17.72.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $25.42.

Total of Disbursements, $1,553.40.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $9,000; Chapel, $2,000; total, $11,000. Indebtedness, secured, $675. Salary of the Rector, $900 and Rectory. Insurance, on the Church, $3,000; Chapel, $1,000; total, $4,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 300; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 89-94.

REMARKS.

The present Rector assumed the charge of the Parish, Trinity Sunday (June 13), 1897. The Clerical report is from that time; the financial report is for the year.

Grace Church, Holland, County of Ottawa, 1868.

The Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Rector, (January 1st, 1896.)
C. A. Stevenson, Lay Reader.
Heber Walsh, James Price, Wardens.
A. R. Lewis, Secretary.
W. R. Stevenson, Treasurer.
Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 35; adults, 85; children, 22; total, 107. Baptized during the year, infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 54. Confirmed during the year, 9. Communicants, last reported, 51; admitted, 8; received, 1; total added, 9. Removed, 12; dropped, 1; total lost, 13. Present number, male, 13; female, 39; total, 52. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 84; holy days, 6; week days, 39; total, 129. Holy Communion, public, 13. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 4; total, 6.

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Pupils, male, 8;female, 15; total, 23. Subscribers to Church Helper, 5. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies'Aid Society, The Altar Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $19.69; from the offertory, $161.69; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $6.15; subscriptions, $325.75; individual gifts, $10; Woman's Guilds, $240; other sources, $45.07.

Total, $808.35.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported) $6.15; for the Rector's salary, (paid to May 31, 1898) $500; for other salaries, $55; for insurance, $25; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $40.62; paid on indebtedness, $100.

Total for Parochial objects, $726.77.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $5; assessment of the Convention, $33.56; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $6.15; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.35; Akeley Institute, Confirmees' Fund, $4.75.

Total for Diocesan objects, $53.81.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $6.83; Western Seamen's Friendly Society, $2.50.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $9.33.

Total of Disbursements, $789.91.

Balance in hand, $18.44.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $3,500. Salary of the Rector, $500. Insurance, on the Church, $2,500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 93.

REMARKS.

The removal of twelve Communicants from the Parish, including some entire families, two teachers of the Sunday School and several children, has been a serious loss to this Parish.

Christ Church, Homer, County of Calhoun, 1841.

The Rectorship vacant.
Nathan D. Beedon, Lay Reader.
David B. Kirby, A. A. Gurlinghouse, Wardens.
Charles D. Burt, Secretary.
Henry Marten, Treasurer.
Levi B. Tompkins, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 12; adults, 20; children, 9; total 29. Of these, baptized persons, 29. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 31. Communicants, last reported, 46. Died, 2; removed, 2; dropped, 4. Present number male, 14; female, 13; total, 27. Burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 45; week days, 3; total, 48. Holy Communion, public, 4. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 4; total, 6. Pupils, male, 7; female, 9; total, 16. Average attendance, 12.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $31.40; Women's Guilds, $15.35; the Sunday School, $12.80. Total, $59.55.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary (paid to J. W. Bancroft), $11.05; for other salaries, $2.04; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $18.38; for the Sunday School, $7.80; by the Sunday School, for Missions, $5.

Total for Parochial objects, $44.27.

For objects within the Diocese—No report.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—No report.

Total of Disbursements, $44.27.

Balance in hand, $15.28.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $2,000. Indebtedness, floating, $14.18 (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $2.14; Missionary pledges, $12.04). Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 130; of these, free, all. Bishop's Address, pages ——

St. John's Church, Ionia, County of Ionia, 1842.

The Rev. W. H. Thomas, D. D., Rector (1893).
James Vosper, Ethan T. Montgomery, Wardens.
Harry E. Spencer, Secretary.
Clifford W. Parsons, Treasurer.
Mrs. O. Scott Wood, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 118; adults, 221; children, 99; total, 320. Baptized during the year, infants, 5; adults, 4; total, 9. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 201. Confirmed during the year, 10. Communicants, last reported, 177; admitted, 10; received, 4; total added, 14. Died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3. Present number, male, 58; female, 143; total, 201. Marriages, 11. Burials, 7. Public services, Sundays, 141; holy days, 7; week days, 67; total, 215. Holy Communion, public, 18. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 5; female, 14; total, 19. Pupils, male, 48; female, 69; total, 118; average attendance, 90. Catechising, number of times, 4. Subscribers to Church Helper, 11. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Aid, Altar Guild, Christian Endeavor, the Woman's Auxiliary. Have held Missionary services in Lyons, times, 38.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $25.68; from the offertory, $638.03; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $13.62; the envelope system, $1186.01: subscriptions, $63.28; Woman's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $24.43; Women's Guilds, $67.71; Children's Guilds, $15.09; the Sunday School, $59.72; other sources, $4.94; Vestry Note insurance, $140. Total, $2,238.51.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported) $13.62; for the Rector's salary, (paid to about March, 1898,) $1,291.32; for other salaries, $131.71; for insurance, $140; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $12.34; for all other expenses of Parishes maintenance, $185.15; the increase and improvement of Church property, $74; paid on indebtedness, $92.89; for the Sunday School, $40.54. Total for Parochial objects, $1,981.57.

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For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $50.47; assessment of the Convention, $96.56; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $4.11; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5.03; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $1.70; Senior Endeavor Society for Diocesan missions, $5.41; Junior Endeavor Society for Diocesan missions, $5.14.

Total for Diocesan objects, $168.42.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Societies for the conversion of Jews, $4.32; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, general purposes, $25; by the Sunday School, for general missions, Lenten offerings, $23.04; Junior Auxiliary, Bishop Gillespie Scholarship, Tokyo, Japan, $5.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $57.36.

Total of Disbursements, $2,207.35.

Balance in hand, $31.16.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $10,000; Chapel, $500; total, $10,500. Indebtedness, floating, about $384.32; due on Missionary pledges, $34.32; secured, $1,161.23. Salary of the Rector, $1,500. Insurance, on the Church, $5,000; other property, $2,500; total, $7,500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 325; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 89–90–94.

Grace Church, Ludington, County of Mason, 1873.

The Rev. William Westover, Rector (1897).
Nels Thompson, Edwin James Brown, Wardens.
Fayette Johnson, Secretary.
Thomas Haley, Treasurer.
Rev. William Westover, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 36; adults, 64; children, 29; total 93. Baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 3; total 7. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 69. Communicants last reported, 68. Died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5. Present number, male, 5; female, 20; total, 25. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 78; holy days, 26; week days, 11; total, 115. Holy Communion, public, 14; private, 2. Sunday school, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 3; total, 4. Pupils, male, 10; female, 12; total, 22; average attendance, 15. Catechising, number of times, 30. Sunday School Library, volumes, 150. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $35.24; the envelope system, $46.15; subscriptions, $82.93; Women's Guilds, $75.81; other sources, rent of Guild Hall, $19.50. Total, $259.63.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary (paid to May 29, 1898), $86.15; for other salaries, $25; for repairs on Church, $8; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $20.85; interest on Guild Hall mortgage, $35; the increase and improvement of Church property, $3.50; paid on indebtedness, $28.20.

Total for Parochial objects, $216.70.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $5.35; assessment of the Convention, arrears paid, $28.20; by the Sunday School, for missions, 88 cts.; Akeley Institute, $3.

Total for Diocesan objects, $37.43.

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For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for missions (general), $5.50.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $5.50.
Total of Disbursements, $259.63.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $2,500; chapel, $1,000; total, $3,500. Indebtedness, floating, $40; secured, $500. Salary of the Rector, $300. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 76.

REMARKS.

The number of communicants has been small for a number of years in comparison to the number confirmed, which accounts for the small number of communicants put down for the present year.

St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, County of Kalamazoo, 1837.

The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne, Rector (1892).
J. Davidson Burns, David Fisher, Wardens.
Frank P. Johnston, Secretary.
J. Davidson Burns, Treasurer.
Rev. Robert R. Claiborne, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Baptized during the year, infants, 11; adults, 4; total, 15. Confirmed persons in the Parish, about 500. Confirmed during the year, 10. Communicants, last reported, 420; admitted, 10; received, 4; total added, 14. Died, 4; removed, 3; dropped, 7; total lost, 14. Present number, male, 85; female, 335; total, 420. Marriages, 16. Burials, 17. Public services, Sundays, 174; holy days, 41; week days, 72; total, 287. Holy Communion, public, 90; private, 3. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 14; total, 18. Pupils, male, 63; female, 84; total, 147; average attendance, 100. Catechising, number of times, monthly. Subscribers to Church Helper, 37. Names of Parochial societies: Woman's Guild, Woman's Auxiliary, St. Luke's Choir, Girls' Friendly, Sunday School.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $455.50; from the offertory, $991.49; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $133.79; the envelope system, $2,294.43; subscriptions, $220; legacies, $20,600; individual gifts, $56; Women's Guilds, $969.51; sale of real estate, $700; income from investments, $188.38; the Sunday School, $96.62; other sources, $600.

Total, $27,305.72.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $133.79; for the Rector's salary (paid to June 1, 1898), $1,800; for other salaries, $1,501.30; for insurance, $10.50; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $322.47; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $557.03; by the Sunday School, for periodicals, leaflets, etc., $57.19; by Woman's Guild, for supplies, materials for work, etc., $269.51. Total for Parochial objects, $4,651.79.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $200; assessment of the Convention, $198.76; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $33; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $14.60; Bishop's trust fund, $18.80. Total for Diocesan objects, $465.16.

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For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $30.78; foreign missions, $31.50; missions for colored people, $10; Indian missions, $10; Bishop Payne Divinity School, $22.76; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $135.16; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $39.43; by the Woman's Guild, for Miss Marston's Zenana mission, $18.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $297.63.

Total of Disbursements, $5,414.58.

Balance in hand ($142.06, genl. fund; Woman's Guild, $32.24), $174.30.

Amount of investments, $21,716.84.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $50,000; Parish house, $37,000; rectory, $6,000; sexton's house, $2,000; investments, $21,716.84; total $116,716.84. Indebtedness, floating, $600. Salary of the Rector, $1,800 and Rectory. Insurance, on the Church, organ, etc., $24,000; rectory, $2,000; other property, $14,000; total, $40,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 700; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 92-94.

Holy Trinity Church, Manistee, County of Manistee, 1888.

The Rev. John Sword, Rector (1898).
Ellsworth S. Ellis, Thos. Smurthwaite, Wardens.
John L. Sweetnam, Secretary.
Ellsworth S. Ellis, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 95; adults, 210; children, 218; total, 428. Of these, baptized persons, 409. Baptized during the year, infants, 14; adults, 1; total, 15. Confirmed during the year, 1. Communicants, last reported, 199; admitted, 8; total added, 8. Died, 1; removed, 2; dropped, 4; total lost, 7. Present number male, 70; female, 130; total, 200. Marriages, 4. Burials, 11. Public services, Sundays, 156; holy days, 33; week days, 300; total, 489. Holy Communion, public, 169. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 5; total, 7. Pupils, male, 45; female, 62; total, 107. Subscribers to Church Helper, 5.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $4.40; from the offertory, $361.07; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $20.71; subscriptions, $583.37; individual gifts, $43.96; Woman's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $62; the Sunday School, $28.62; other sources, $220, *Bank loan.*

Total, $1,324.13.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $20.71; for the Rector's salary, (paid to June 1, 1898) $759.08; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $252.42; interest on debt, $210; by the Sunday School, for the Sunday School, $13.31.

Total for Parochial objects, $39.63.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $30; assessment of the Convention, $9.63. Total for Diocesan objects, $39.63.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $5; Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies, $7.61.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $12.61.

Total of Disbursements, $1,307.76.

Balance in hand, $16.37.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $9,000; Rectory, $1,400; total, $10,400. Indebtedness, floating, $28.88; (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $28.88; secured, $4,000. Salary of the Rector, $500 and Rectory. Insurance, on Church the $1,500; Rectory, $1,000; total, $2,500. Capacity of the Chucrh building, whole number of sittings, 300; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 91.

Trinity Church, Marshall, County of Calhoun, 1834.

The Rev. J. E. Walton, Rector (1898).
R. S. Garwood, Lay Reader.
James M. Parsons, George Perrett, Wardens.
James M. Parsons, Secretary.
W. J. Dibble, Treasurer.
W. J. Dibble, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 107. Baptized during the year, infants, 14; adults, 7; total, 21. Confirmed during the year, 36. Communicants, last reported, 170; Admitted, 36; received, 1; total added, 37. Removed, 2; total lost, 2. Present number, male and female, 205. Marriages, 4. Burials, 9. Public services, Sundays, 62; holy days, 1; week days, 40; total, 103. Holy Communion, public, 10; private, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 9; total, 12. Pupils, male, 44; female, 69; total, 113; average attendance, 75. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $1,113.28; from the offertory, $368.76; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $16.18; the envelope system, $1,090.26; subscriptions, $64,60; individual gifts, $8.42; income from investments, $504.85; the Sunday School, $141.80; other sources, $19.04; principal of investment, $500. Total, $3,827.19.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported) $24; for the Rector's salary, (paid to May 1st.) $999.97; for other salaries, $157.46; for insurance, $76.25; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $15.90; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $170.82; by the Sunday School, for its expenses, $51.50; invested real estate mortgages, $1,375.

Total for Parochial objects, $2,870.90.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $75; assessment of the Convention, $67.06; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $8.31; Bishop's Trust Fund, $8; Akeley Institute, $13.

Total for Diocesan objects, $158.37.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $35.51; societies for the conversion of Jews, $5.39; General Clergy Relief Fund, $3,77; by the Sunday School, for Missions $115.17.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $159.84.

Total of Disbursements, $3,189.11.

Balance in hand, $638.08.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $12,000; Rectory, $3,400; investments, $7,029.66; total, $22,429.66. Salary of the Rector, $1,000 and Rectory. Insurance, on

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the Church, $8,500; Rectory, $2,600; other property, $200; total, $11,300. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 450; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 94.

St. Paul's Church, Mendon, County of St. Joseph, 1867.

The Rectorship vacant.
Norman Harrison, Lay Reader.
E. N. King, Stratton Pomeroy, Wardens.
Chas. L. Hasbrouck, Secretary.
Wm. E. Webbie, Treasurer.
Norman Harrison, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 32; adults, 73; children, 20; total, 93. Of these, baptized persons, 54. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; total, 1. Communicants, last reported, 33; received, 1; total added, 1. Died, 1; total lost, 1. Present number, male, 9; female, 23; total, 32. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 42. Holy Communion, public, 9. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 2; total, 3. Pupils, male, 6; female, 10; total, 16; average attendance, 9. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Name of Parochial society: Ladies' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $12.75; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $9.71; subscriptions, $155; Women's Guilds, $25.75.
Total, $203.21.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $180.75; for other salaries, $13.95; for insurance, $1.50; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $7.15. Total for Parochial objects, $203.30.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $8.84; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $1.15; Bishop's trust fund, $1.10.
Total for Diocesan objects, $10.09.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—No report.
Total of Disbursements, $223.39.
Balance in hand, $3.12.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,000. Salary of the Rector, $200. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all; rented, none.

Bishop's Address, pages 92-93-98.

St. Paul's Church, Muskegon, County of Muskegon, 1867.

The Rev. George Forsey, Rector (1898).
Elbridge G. Rote, William K. Gordon, Wardens.
Hugh Park, Secretary.
Thomas Hume, Treasurer.
Charles H. Yates, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 129; adults, 324; children, 197; total, 521; of

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these, baptized persons, 388; Baptized during the year, infants, 15; adults, 2; total, 17. Confirmed during the year, 13. Communicants, last reported, 196; admitted, 13; total added, 13. Died, 2; total lost, 2. Present number, male and female, 209. Marriages, 7. Burials, 10. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 8; total, 10. Pupils, male, 43; female, 80; total, 123; average attendance, 80. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Names of Parochial societies: Women's Society, Altar Guild, St. Andrew's Brotherhood.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $93.42; from the offertory, $199.93; pew rents, $954.03; individual gifts, $317; Women's Guilds, $578.26; income from investments, $234. Total, $2,376.64.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $1,037.08; for other salaries, $219.40; for insurance, $100; for repairs on the Church and rectory, $6; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $181.06; paid on indebtedness, $528.49.

Total for Parochial objects, $2,072.03.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $50; assessment of the convention, $62; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $4.13; Bishop's trust fund, $10.29. Total for Diocesan objects, $146.42.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2.47.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $2.47.

Total of Disbursements, $2,220.92.

Balance in hand, $155.72.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $60,000; real estate, $6,000; rectory, $5,000; total, $71,000. Indebtedness, floating, $275; missionary pledges, $5; secured, $27,000. Salary of the Rector, $1,100 and Rectory. Insurance, on the Church, $10,000; rectory, $5,000; other property, $3,700; total, $18,700. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 750; of these, free, 350; rented, 400.

Bishop's Address, pages 76–91–95.

REMARKS.

The Parish having been vacant for several months the returns are necessarily incomplete.

Trinity Church, Niles, County of Berrien, 1834.

The Rev. Frederick Hall, Rector (1898).
John H. Richardson, Lewis H. Beeson, Wardens.
Lewis H. Beeson, Secretary.
John H. Richardson, Treasurer.
Lewis H. Beeson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 120; adults, 250; children, 100; total, 350. Baptized during the years, infants, 13; adults, 4; total, 17. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 240. Present number, male, 30; female, 100; total, 130. Burials, 8. Public services, Sundays, 37; holy days, 16; week days 13; total, 66. Holy Communion, public, 17. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 11; total 14. Pupils, male, 51;

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female, 56; total, 107; average attendance, 60. Subscribers to Church Helper, 16. Names of Parochial Societies: The Woman's Guild, St. Mary's Guild, St. Elizabeth's Guild, St. Agnes' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $47.34; from the offertory, $135.52; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $3.37; pew rents, $563.23; individual gifts, $4; Women's Auxiliary (money only, not box values), $15.50; Women's Guilds, $468.42; the Sunday School, $37.12; other sources, $108.42. Total, $1,382.92.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $3.37; for the Rector's salary (paid to June 1, 1898), $567; for other salaries, $113.99; for insurance, $62; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $149.52; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $109.65; paid on indebtedness, $196.27.

Total for Parochial objects, $1,201.80.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $50; assessment of the convention, $83.42; Woman's Auxiliary, aid in the Diocese, $15.50; Bishop's trust fund, $4.51; Akeley Institute, $4.

Total for Diocesan objects, $157.43.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for general missions, $47. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $47.00.

Total of Disbursements, $1,359.23.

Balance in hand, $23.69.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $15,000; Rectory, $3,000. Indebtedness, secured, $600. Salary of the Rector, $900 and Rectory. Insurance, on the Church, $5,000; Rectory, $2,000; other property, organ, $1,000; total, $8,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 500; of these, free, 275; rented, 225.

Bishop's Address, pages 76-90.

REMARKS.

I entered upon the Rectorship of this Parish March 1, 1898. Portions of the above Clerical Report, therefore, are only for the three months preceding Convention.

All Saints' Church, Saugatuck, County of Allegan, 1868.

Rectorship, vacant.
Alfred B. Taylor, John Priest, Wardens.
D. A. Winslow, Secretary.
A. B. Taylor, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Confirmed, during the year, 2. Communicants, last reported, 26. Total added, 2. Died, 3. Present number male, 5; female, 20; total, 25. Burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 9. Holy Communion, public, 5. Subscribers to Church Helper, 4.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $19; individual gifts, $50. Total, $69.00.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For other salaries, Clerical supply for three Sundays, $30; for insurance, $30.

Total for Parochial objects, $60.

For objects within the Diocese—Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.50; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.

Total for Diocesan objects, $6.50.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General Clergy Relief Fund, $2.50.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $2.50.

Total of Disbursements, $69.00.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $2,000. Insurance, on the Church, $1,500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings. 300; of these, free, all.

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REMARKS.

Church was open for services Sunday, June 19th. Bishop Gillespie officiating, assisted by Rev. J. Rice Taylor, also for three Sundays in July, Rev. E. C. Belcher, officiating, and one Sunday in August, by Rev. W. W. Taylor.

Grace Church, Traverse City, County of Grand Traverse, 1877.

The Rev. Charles T. Stout, Rector (1898.)
E. L. Sprague, Wm. D. Turner, Wardens.
H. C. Davis, Secretary.
H. C. Davis, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 50; adults, 135; children, 52; total, 187. Of these, baptized persons, 140. Baptized during the year, infants, 17; adults, 8; total, 25. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 72. Confirmed during the year, 8. Present number male, 8; female, 49; total, 57. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 44; holy days, 7; week days, 39; total, 90. Holy Communion, public, 28. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 6; total, 8. Pupils, male and female, 40. Catechising number of times, 22. Names of Parochial societies: Woman's Auxiliary, Grace Church Guild. Have held Missionary services in Central Lake, 9 times; East Jordan, 9 times; Elk Rapids, 2 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $123.01; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $11.56; the envelope system, $158.99; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values) $76.73; Women's Guilds, $26.14; Willing Workers for Windows, $55.22; Mrs. Frank L. Saylor, window, $19.50; the Sunday School, $17.26.; other sources, $910.80. Total, $1,399.22.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported) $9.13; for the Rector's salary, $262.92; for insurance, $8.50; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $73.83; the increase and improvement of Church property, $910.80; memorial win-

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dows, $74.73; for the Sunday School, $9.54; by the Sunday School, for expenses, $4.75. Total for Parochial objects, $1,354.20.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the Convention, $14; Woman's Auxiliary, contingent fund, $1.60; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.88;
Total for Diocesan objects, $16.48.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $5; Missions for colored people, $8; societies for the conversion of Jews, $0.74; by the Sunday School, for general missions, Lent, $12.50.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese; $26.24.
Total of Disbursements, $1,396.92.
Balance in hand, $3.18.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $2,000. Indebtedness, floating, $70.43; Missionary Pledges, $8.30. Salary of the Rector, $800. Insurance, on the Church, $1,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 90–92–94.

REMARKS.

The Clerical report is from January 1st, when the present Rector took charge. The financial report is from the same date excepting the items of memorial windows and improvement of property.

Grace Church, Union City, County of Branch, 1864.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
Geo. Styles, A. J. Ackley, Wardens.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, familes and parts, 10; adults and children, 30; of these, baptized persons, 25. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 20. Communicants, last reported, 18; admitted, 1; total added, 1. Died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2. Present number, male, 2; female, 15; total, 17. Public services, Sundays, 8; week days, 2. Holy Communion, public, 4; private, 2. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $18.25; individual gifts, $2.
Total, $20.25.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For all expenses of Parish maintenance, $7.50.
Total for Parochial objects, $7.50.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10.75.
Total for Diocesan objects, $10.75.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $2.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $2.00.
Total of Disbursements, 20.25.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,800. Indebtedness, due the Diocese on assessment, $10.08. Insurance on the Church, none.

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ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

St. Matthew's Church, County of Baldwin, 1879.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1894.)
A. J. Matthews, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 6: adults, 14; children, 12; total, 26. Of these, baptized persons, 20. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 8. Communicants, last reported, 7. Present number, male and female, 7. Public services, Sundays, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, 4. Pupils, male and female, 40. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild, Christian Endeavor.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $110; other sources, rent, $31. Total, $141.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For insurance, $7; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $84.69; self support, $15.
Total for Parochial objects, $106.69.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $1.50.
Total for Diocesan objects, $1.50.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—No report.
Total of Disbursements, $108.19.
Balance in hand, $32.81.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $400; Rectory, $200; total, $600. Insurance on the Church and Rectory, $600.

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Holy Trinity Church, Benton Harbor, County of Berrien, 1882.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Missionary (1892).
George Falkingham, Warden.
Mrs. Geo. M. Bell, Secretary.
William Stewart, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 50; adults, 130; children; 38; total, 168. Of these, baptized persons, 159. Baptized during the year, infants, 6. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 93. Confirmed during the year, 7. Communicants, last reported, 80; admitted, 6; received, 1; total added, 7. Died, 1; removed, 5; dropped, 2; total lost, 8. Present number male, 22; female, 57; total, 79. Marriages, 2. Burials, 6. Public services, Sundays, 104; holy days, 9; week days, 20; total, 133. Holy Communion, public, 15; private, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 2; total, 4. Pupils, male, 6; female, 16; total, 22; average attendance, 18. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number

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of volumes, Sunday School library, 220. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Names of Parochial Societies: Guild of the Holy Trinity, Boys' Department of Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Altar Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $6.22; from the offertory, $165.21; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $26.67; subscriptions, $211.10; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values, $5; Women's Guilds, $111.93. Total, $526.13.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported) $26.67; for the Rector's salary, $280; for other salaries, janitor, $48; for insurance, $18; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $9.20; Parochial endowment, $0.90; for the Sunday School, $2; by the Sunday School, for Sunday School books, etc., $5.87.

Total for Parochial objects, $390.64.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10; assessment of the Convention, $17.66; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $1. Bishop's Trust Fund, $6.44. Total for Diocesan objects, $35.10.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2.66; foreign missions, $1.77; societies for the conversion of Jews, $0.40; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $5; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $3.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $12.83.

Total of Disbursements, $438.57.

Balance in hand, $87.56.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $3,500. Salary of the Rector, $400; Insurance, on the Church, $1,800. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

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St. James' Mission, Cassopolis, County of Cass, 1891.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
John B. Boyd, Warden.
David Niver, Secretary.
Willis D. Hopkins, Treasurer.
W. D. Hopkins, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 24; children, 20; total, 44; of these, baptized persons, 41. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 20; confirmed during the year, 1. Communicants, last reported, 19; admitted, 1; received, 1; total added, 2. Removed, 1; total lost, 1. Present number, male, 4; female, 16; total, 20. Public services, Sundays, 8; week days, 4; total, 12. Holy Communion, public, 3. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 4; total, 8. Pupils, male, 11; female, 14; total, 25; average attendance, 27. Catechising, number of times, 52. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, 4 cents; from the offertory, $11.77; Women's Guilds, $72.72; the Sunday School, $2.50; other sources, $40.93.

Total, $127.96.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For insurance, $2.50; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $77.30.
Total for Parochial objects, $79.80.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10; assessment of the Convention, $1.82; Bishop's trust fund, $1.40.
Total for Diocesan objects, $13.22.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for general missions, $2.50. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $2.50.
Total of Disbursements, $95.52.
Balance in hand, $32.44.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Mission rents a room for a Chapel. Insurance, on property, $125. Capacity of Church building, whole number of sitting, 60; of these, free, 60.

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St. Matthias' Church, Central Lake, County of Antrim, 1893.

The Rev. C. T. Stout, Missionary (1898).
Samuel Crampton. Warden.
Miss Loretta Ison, Secretary.
Mrs. V. Savage, Treasurer.
A. W. Foy, M. D., Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, total, 30. Communicants, last reported, 10. Public services, week days, 9. Sunday School, teachers, officers and pupils, 25.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $12.36; subscriptions, $4.18; Women's Guilds, $44.76; the Sunday School, $1.25. Total, $62.55.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For insurance, $8; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $17.96; interest on debt, $21; paid on local indebtedness (amount due at last convention, $90), $10.
Total for Parochial objects, $56.96.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for general missions, Lent, $1.25.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.25.
Total of Disbursements, $58.21.
Balance in hand, $4.34.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $800. Indebtedness, floating, $80; secured, $300. Insurance, on the Church, $500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 100; of these, free, all.

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REMARKS.

The Clerical Report is from January 1. The Financial Report is from January 1, except the Guild work, which is from Oct. 15, 1897.

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Christ Church Mission, County of Charlevoix, 1887.

The Rev. J. W. Armstrong, Priest in charge (1896).
E. H. Green, Warden.
E. H. Green, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 30; children, 49; total, 79. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 37. Communicants, last reported, 35; removed, 2; total lost, 2. Present number, male, 7; female, 30. Public services, Sundays, 9; week days, 7; total, 16. Holy Communion, public, 3. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4; total, 5. Pupils, male, 18; female, 30; total 48; average attendance, 35. Name of Parochial society: Ladies' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $83.76; Ladies' Guilds, $163.43; the Sunday School, $30.14. Total, $277.33.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—The increase and improvement of Church property, $200.80; for the Sunday School, $20.14; by the Sunday School, for building fund, $10.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $27.31; services for deaf mutes, $3; Akeley Institute, $1.

Total for Diocesan objects, $31.31.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2.11; foreign missions, $2.11; Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies, $3; American Church Building Fund Commission, $3; by the Sunday School, for missions, $4.86. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $15.08.

Total of Disbursements $277.33.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,900. Indebtedness, floating, $275. Insurance, on the Church, $1,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 150.

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Grace Church, Charlotte, County of Eaton, 1898.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
J. W. Watson, Lay Reader.
J. L. Collissi, Warden.
S. G. Fuller, Secretary.
C. B. Lamb, Treasurer.
J. W. Watson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 25; adults, 49; children, 24; total, 73. Of these, baptized persons, 66. Baptized during the year, infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 38. Communicants, last reported, 56; admitted, 2; total added, 2. Removed, 20; dropped, 4; total lost, 24. Present number male, 8; female, 26; total, 34. Public services, Clerical, Sundays, 10; week days, 2; total, 12. Holy Communion, public, 5. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $51.15; individual gifts, $285; Women's Guilds, $66.98. Total, $403.13.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Clerical service at Easter, expense of $21.06; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $66.98; the increase and improvement of Church property, $285.
Total for Parochial objects, $373.04.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $23.24; Bishop's Trust Fund, $6.85. Total for Diocesan objects, $30.09.
Total of Disbursements, $403.13.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $3,500. Indebtedness, due the Diocese on assessment, $1.50. Insurance on the Church, $1,500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, $200; of these, free, all.

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Redeemer Church, East Jordan, County of Charlevoix, 1887.

The Rev. C. T. Stout, Missionary (1898.)
Asa Loveday, Warden.
Mrs. Bowen, Secretary.
Mrs. D. C. Loveday, Treasurer.
Mrs. Bowen, Superintent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 18; children, 16; total, 34. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; Confirmed persons in the Parish, 16. Confirmed during the year, 3. Communicants, last reported, 18. Present number male, 3; female, 12; total, 15. Public services, week days, 9. Holy Communion, public, 3. Sunday School, teachers and officers, female, 4. Pupils, male and female, 16.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $3.87; from the offertory, $11.07; subscriptions, $6.20; Women's Guilds, $13.08. Total, $34.22.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $12.34; paid on indebtedness, $15.
Total for Parochial objects, $27.34.
For objects within the Diocese—Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.74.
Total for Diocesan objects, $1.74.
Total of Disbursements, $29.08.
Balance in hand, $5.14.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,500. Indebtedness, floating, $85; (Missionary pledges, $2.25.) Insurance, on the Church, $500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 100; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 90–95.

REMARKS.

The Clerical report is from January 1.

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St. John's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1892.

The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, Rector (1897.)
W. W. Smith, Warden.
S. C. Rickman, Secretary and Treasurer.
S. C. Rickman, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 20; children, 10; total, 30. Communicants, last reported, 33; admitted, 1; received, 4; total added, 5; Removed, 15; total lost, 15. Present number, 23. Public services, Sundays, 39. Holy Communion, public, 7. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; females, 5; total, 7. Pupils, male and female, 60; average attendance, 35.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $9; from the offertory, $66.10; Women's Guilds, $93,61; the Sunday School, $39; other sources, $23.

Total, $230.71.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For insurance, $34; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $17.71; interest on mortgage, $129.00; paid on indebtedness, (amount due at last convention, $2,500) $50.

Total for Parochial Objects, $230.71.

For objects within the Diocese—No report.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—No report.

Total of Disbursements, $230.71.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $4,000. Indebtedness, (due the Diocese on assessment, $24;) secured, $2,450. Insurance, on the Church, $1,500; other property, $500; total, $2,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 91-95.

REMARKS.

The Mission is supplied by Lay services on Sunday morning, the administration of the Holy Communion by Rev. A. Reeves, M. D., and occasional Clerical services.

St. Matthew's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1892.

James Ellis, Warden.
Ralph Treat, Secretary.
Wm. H. Meech, Treasurer.
Mrs. J. Warner, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Last year's report. Congregation, families, 37; total, 110. Of these, baptized persons, 90. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 30. Communicants, last reported, 30. Present number, male and female, 30.

No Financial Report.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $3,000. Indebtedness, secured, $1,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, 150.

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There have been a few services at the Mission. A good Sunday School has been discontinued for want of teachers.

The property is deeded to St. Mark's Church. A mortgage of $1,600 is held by the Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., on which the Mission is unable to pay interest.

St. Beda's, Grand Rapids, 1893.

The Mission is for deaf mutes, but their number in the city is so reduced by removals that the only services held are by Rev. A. W. Mann, who comes about once in six weeks.

(*See Rev. A. W. Mann's report.*)

St. Paul's Church, Greenville, County of Montcalm, 1887.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, Priest in charge (1896).
John Avery, Lay Reader.
John Avery, Warden.
George Herbert Chandler, Secretary.
Albert B. Thoms, Treasurer.
George Herbert Chandler, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families and parts of families, 31; adults, 70; children, 25; total, 95; of these, baptized persons, 90. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 71. Confirmed during the year, 4. Communicants last reported, 51; admitted, 4; received, 1; total added, 5. Dropped, 5. Present number male, 14; female, 40; total, 54. Burials, 1. Holy Communion, public, 14; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 2; total, 5. Pupils, male, 11; female, 14; total, 25; average attendance, 16. Number of volumes, Sunday School library, 200. Subscribers to Church Helper, 4. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, 88 cents; from the offertory, $111.80; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $5.70; subscriptions, $253.85; individual gifts, $10; Woman's Guild, $11; Children's Guilds, $2; the Sunday School, $13.32; other sources, $25.21. Total, $431.76.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $261.19; for other salaries, $29.75; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $45.45; paid on indebtedness (amount due at last convention, $76.81), $51; for the Sunday School, $8.27.

Total for Parochial objects, $395.66.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention (arrears paid, $8.84), $20.98; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $3.70; Bishop's trust fund, $2.80. Total for Diocesan objects, $27.48.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $3.70; Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies, $2; by the Sunday School, for general missions, Lenten and Easter offering, $3.66.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $9.36.
Total of Disbursements, $432.50.
Balance in hand, $0.01.
Sunday School, $1.35.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,500. Indebtedness, floating, $78.71; (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $4.50). Salary of the Rector, $300 and board and lodging paid by Church. Insurance, on the church; $800; other property, $200; total, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 170; of these, free, 170.

Bishop's Address, pages 90-93.

St. John's Church, Harbor Springs, County of Emmet, 1883.

The Rev. J. W. Armstrong, Priest in charge.
Served during summer by the Rev. Messrs. Wm. Elmer, Gibeon Stanley and Mackey.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Baptized during the year, 4. Public services, Sundays, 12. Holy Communion, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $101.52.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For Clerical services, $60; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $22.75.
Total for Parochial objects, $82.75.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10.75; assessment of the Convention, $6.29. Total for Diocesan objects, $17.04.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—No report.
Total of Disbursements, $99.79.
Balance in hand, $23.23.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $2,500. Insurance on the Church, $2,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 77.

St. Andrew's Church, Hart, County of Oceana, 1897.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1897.)
H. J. Servis, Warden.
C. L. Latimer, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 20; Children, 10; total, 30. Of these baptized persons, 15. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 10. Communicants, last reported, 8. Present number, male, 4; female, 4; total, 8. Public services, 2.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $2.57. Total, $2.57.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—No report.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $1.50; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.07. Total for Diocesan objects, $2.57.

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For objects exterior to the Diocese—No report.
Total of Disbursements, $2.57.
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REMARKS.

The chief needs of this Mission are two—some church property and more frequent services. If a Missionary could be stationed at Pentwater the matter might easily be arranged. The village is one of the best in the State.

Christ Church, Luther, County of Lake, 1896.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1896.)
Wm. G. L. Vincent, Warden.
Fred Barghoorn, Secretary.
Sherry Hope, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 25; children, 15; total, 40. Of these, baptized persons, 40. Baptized during the year, infants, 2. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 34. Communicants, last reported, 23; admitted, 2; total added, 2. Removed, 2; total lost, 2. Present number, male, 10; female, 13; total, 23. Marriages, 2. Public services, Sundays, 11; week days, 9; total, 20. Holy Communion, public, 3. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $15.10; individual gifts, $25; Woman's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values) $3.65. Total, $43.75.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—paid on indebtedness, (amount due at last Convention, $45), $25. Total for Parochial objects, $25.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $15.10.
Total for Diocesan objects, $15.10.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid, United offering, $3.65. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $3.65.
Total of Disbursements, $43.75.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $650. Indebtedness, floating, $27.38; (Missionary pledges, $15.38.) Insurance, on the Church and furniture, $500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 80; of these, free, all.

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Grace Church, Lyons, County of Ionia, 1898.

The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D., Priest in charge (1896).
W. E. Lathrop, Warden.
L. H. Hale, Secretary.
S. H. Webber, Jr., Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Baptized during the year, 7. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 26. Confirmed during the year, 1. Present number, male and female, 26. Public services, Sundays, 13.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From all sources, $480.30.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $18; the increase and improvement of Church property, $450. Total for Parochial objects, $468.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10.
Total for Diocesan objects, $10.00.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $1.30.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.30.
Total of Disbursements, $480.30.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,800.

Bishop's Address, page 77.

Mancelona, Church of the Nativity, County of Antrim, 1896.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1896).
Chas. H. Kemp, Warden.
Miss Grace Hulburd, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 18; adults, 35; children, 10; total, 45. Of these, baptized persons, 30. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 14. Confirmed during the year, 4. Communicants, last reported, 10; admitted, 4; received, 1; total added, 5. Present number male, 5; female, 10; total, 15. Public services, Sundays, 10; week days, 4; total, 14. Holy Communion, public, 6. Sunday School, teachers and officers, female, 2. Pupils, male, 6; female, 10; total, 16. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $46; from the offertory, $18.50; subscriptions, $325.45; individual gifts, $40; Women's Guilds, $6; the Sunday School, $6.51; other sources, $100 (American Church Building Fund Com.)
Total, $542.40.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For insurance, $2; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $18; the increase and improvement of Church property, $500. Total for Parochial objects, $520.00.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $12.05; Bishop's trust fund, $1.75. Total for Diocesan objects, $13.80.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General Clergy Relief Fund, $1.50; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $3.20.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $4.70.
Total of Disbursements, $537.50.
Balance in hand, $4.90.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,000. Indebtedness, floating, $17.95 (of this, due the Diocese on missionary pledges, $17.95). Insurance, on the church and contents, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 80; of these, free, all.

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REMARKS.

Some of the subscriptions for Church building were in labor and material, but are credited as cash. About $200 came from outside the Parish.

St. John's Church, Mt. Pleasant, County of Isabella, 1886.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Priest in charge (1898).
Edward Andlin, Warden.
Mrs. Kate W. Theirs, Secretary.
Mrs. Rebecca Gardiner, Treasurer.
Rev. J. N. Rippey, Superintendent of the Sunday School.
Mrs. Kate W. Theirs, Assistant Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families and parts, 47; adults, 115; children, 53; total, 168; of these, baptized persons, 134. Baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 88. Confirmed during the year, 1. Communicants, last reported, 65; admitted, 1; received, 2; total added, 3. Removed, 1; total lost, 1. Present number, male and female, 67. Public services, Sundays, 31; holy days, 4; week days, 22; total, 57. Holy Communion, public, 9; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 6; total, 7. Pupils, male and female, about 40; average attendance, about 25. Catechising, number of times, 5. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild; Altar Guild. Have held missionary services in Greenville 24 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory and subscriptions, $253.41; Women's Guilds, $128.11; the Sunday School, $15.90. Total, $397.42.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary (paid to June 1, 1898), $247.05; for other salaries, $17.10; for insurance, $28.50; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $11.65; for hymnals and chant books, $12; the increase and improvement of church property, $34.41; for the Sunday School, by Woman's Guild, $10; by the Sunday School, for itself, $11.02. Total for Parochial objects, $351.73.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $22.93; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $1.55; Bishop's trust fund, $3.05. Total for Diocesan objects, $27.53.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $1.74; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $3.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $4.74.
Total of Disbursements, $384.
Balance in hand: Woman's Guild, $8.54; Sunday School, $4.88. $13.42.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $2,500; Rectory, $1,800; total, $4,300. Indebtedness, floating, $57.93 (of this due the Diocese on assessment, $8.43; missionary pledges, $18.50). Salary of the Rector, $400 and Rectory. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; Rectory, $1,000; total, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, 150.

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St. Luke's Mission, Muskegon, County of Muskegon, 1890.

The Rev. George Forsey, Rector (1898.)
Alfred Bullock, Lay Reader.
Alfred Bullock, Warden.
Miss Pearl Decker, Secretary.
Mrs. Adam Pyle, Treasurer.
Alfred Bullock, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 24; children, 15; total, 39. Baptized during the year, infants, 6; total, 6. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 18. Present number male, 4; female, 14; total, 18. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 50; week days, 40; total, 90. Holy Communion, public, 6. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 6; total, 7. Pupils, male, 20; female, 45; total, 65; average attendance, 40. Catechising, number of times, 30.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $4.73; from the offertory, $11.78; Women's Guilds, $42.89; the Sunday School, $25.78; other sources, $10.69.
Total, $95.87.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For other salaries, $24.50; for insurance, $6.80; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $6.03; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $16.07; for the Sunday School, $22.98. Total for Parochial objects, $76.38.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $12.50; assessment of the Convention, $2.69; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.50; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $2.80.
Total for Diocesan objects, $19.49.
Total of Disbursements, $95.87.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Chapel, $1,000. Insurance, on the Church, $400. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 100; of these, free, all.

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St. Mark's Church, Newaygo, County of Newaygo, 1876.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1894.)
E. S. Bennett, Lay Reader.
R. D. Miller, Warden.
M. F. Hatch, Secretary.
John Simmons, Treasurer.
E. S. Bennett, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 25; adults, 35; children, 20; total, 55. Of these, baptized persons, 45. Baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed during the year, 5. Communicants, last reported, 35; admitted, 5; received, 2; total added, 7. Removed, 3; dropped, 4; total lost, 7. Present number male, 10; female, 25; total, 35. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 21; week days, 1; total, 22. Holy Communion, public, 6. Sunday School, teachers and officers, female, 5. Pupils, male, 10; female, 25; total, 35; average attendance, 30. Cate-

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chising, number of times, 6. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild, Young People's League.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $51.27; Women's Guilds, $50; the Sunday School, $10. Total, $111.27.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For other salaries, $8; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $20; by the Sunday School, for papers, etc., $10. Total for Parochial Objects, $38.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $40; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2.65. Total for Diocesan objects, $42.65.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2.70; general Clergy relief fund, $1.17; American church building fund commission, $1.15; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, united offering, $1.70.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $6.72.

Total of Disbursements, $87.37.

Balance in hand, $23.90.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $3,500. Indebtedness, due the Diocese on assessment, $5.02. Insurance on the Church, $1,500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 92-94.

REMARKS.

During Lent six services were held by the Lay Reader.

St. Mark's Church, Paw Paw, County of Van Buren, 1891.

The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, General Missionary.
Mrs. Amanda B. Andrews, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families and parts, 15; adults and children, 42. Of these, baptized persons, 27. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; total, 1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 24. Confirmed during the year, 2; Communicants, last reported, 14; admitted,2; received, 2; total added, 4. Died, 1; total lost, 1. Present number male, 1; female, 16; total, 17. Marriages. 1. Public services, Sundays, 12; week days, 6; total, 18. Holy Communion, public, 6. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $22.07; subscriptions, $15.75; Women's Guilds, $59.48. Total, $97.30.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For insurance, $12.10; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $23.98; the increase and improvement of Church property, $39.23. Total for Parochial objects, $75.31.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $16.99.

Total for Diocesan objects, $16.99.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies, $5. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $5.00.

Total of Disbursements, $97.30.

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VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,400. Indebtedness, due the Diocese on assessment, $3.

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St. James' Church, Pentwater, County of Oceana, 1877.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1894).
Eben P. S. Miller, Lay Reader.
Eli Elmer Pugh, Warden.
Marion F. Hyde, Secretary.
Chauncey D. Pool, Treasurer.
Marion F. Hyde, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families; 44; adults, 45; children, 35; total, 80; of these, baptized persons, 70. Baptized during the year, infants, 9; adults, 2; total, 11. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 50. Confirmed during the year, 8. Communicants, last reported, 45; admitted, 8; total added, 8. Dropped, 3; total lost, 3. Present number, male, 10; female, 40; total, 50. Marriages, 1. Public services, Sundays, clerical, 22; lay services, 7; week days, 1; total, 30. Holy Communion, public, 8. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 4; total, 6. Pupils, male, 10; female, 40; total, 50; average attendance, 30. Catechising, number of times, 5. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild, Altar Guild, Young People's League.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $20; from the offertory, $69.34; Women's Guilds, $55; the Sunday School, $20; other sources, rent, $42.

Total, $206.34.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For other salaries, $6; for taxes and interest, $16.38; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $4.79; paid on indebtedness (amount due at last convention, $72.75), $51; by the Sunday School for self support, $13.94.

Total for Parochial objects, $92.11.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $45; assessment of the convention, $4.96; Bishop's trust fund, $2; Akeley Institute, $2.50.

Total for Diocesan objects, $54.46.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $6.06; domestic missions, $2; general clergy relief fund, $1.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $9.06.

Total of Disbursements, $155.63.

Balance in hand, $50.64.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $2,000; Rectory, $450; total, $2,450. Indebtedness, floating, $29.75 (of this, due the Diocese on missionary pledges, $29.75). Secured, $79. Insurance, on the Church, $1,000; Rectory, $300; total, $1,300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 100; of these, free, all.

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REMARKS.

It is expected that the rectory debt will be extinguished by August 1.

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Emmanuel Church, Petoskey, County of Emmet, 1887.

The Rev. J. W. Armstrong, Missionary (1897).
St. Q. H. Williams, Lay Reader.
Ralph Connable. Warden.
C. E. Churchill, Secretary.
St. Q. H. Williams, Treasurer.
Earl M. Brackett, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 3; total, 7. Confirmed during the year, 12. Communicants, last reported, 80; admitted, 12; received, 5; total added, 17. Died, 1; removed, 7; not found, 6; total lost, 14. Present number, male and female, 83. Marriages, 5; burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 147; holy days, 9; week days, 79; total, 235. Holy Communion, public, 57; private, 3. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 5; female 9; total, 14. Pupils, male and female, 50; average attendance, 40. Catechising, number of times, 50. Sunday School library, number of volumes, 200. Subscribers to Church Helper, 14. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Guild, Woman's Auxiliary. Have held missionary services in Manelona once, in Charlevoix 6 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $54.51; from the offertory, $189.61; the envelope system, $635.97; subscriptions, $8; Women's Guilds, $107.13; the Sunday School, $88.14. Total, $1,083.36.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—for the Rector's salary (paid to May 1st), $641.68; for other salaries, $103.25; for insurance, $17; for repairs on the Church (Ladies' Guild), $51.13; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $34.10; paid interest on mortgage (Ladies' Guild), $56; for the Sunday School, $73.14; by the Sunday School, for mortgage on Church property, $5. Total for Parochial objects, $981.30.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10; assessment of the convention (arrears paid, $50), $59.84; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $2.70; Bishop's trust fund, $12.50; by the Sunday School for Diocesan missions, $5. Total for Diocesan objects, $90.04.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $5; American Church Building Fund Commission, $1.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $6.00.
Total of Disbursements, $1,071.34.
Balance in hand, $6.02.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The chapel, etc., $6,000. Indebtedness, floating, $29.50 (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $29.50). Salary of the Rector, $700. Insurance, on the church and other property, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 350; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 90–94.

REMARKS.

NOTE.—The Parish has also raised within its borders some $400, and received from outside $131, and the Ladies' Guild gives $100. All of these sums, reaching nearly $650, is for early payment on church property. This being nearly clear we are building a good and suitable rectory.

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St. John's Church, Quincy, County of Branch, 1882.

Mrs. Kate Lytle, Treasurer.
No Clerical report.
No Financial report.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,200.

REMARKS.

The Mission declines to receive or pay for any services, for the reason that they have purchased an organ from St. Mark's Church, Coldwater, and are paying for it. The General Missionary would visit them if they desired.

St. James' Church, Rockford, County of Kent, 1880.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1894.)
George T. Saunders, Warden.
Mrs. Ida M. Bailey, Secretary.
Mrs. Wm. Haskell, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 20; children, 10; total, 30. Of these, baptized persons, 25. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 16. Communicants, last reported, 16. Public services, Sundays, 22. Holy Communion, public, 7. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $15.37. Total, $15.37.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—The increase and improvement of Church property, $2.97. Total for Parochial objects, $2.97.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $10.
Total for Diocesan objects, $10.00.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—American Church building fund commission, $2.40. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $2.40.
Total of Disbursements, $15.37.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,500. Insurance, on the Church, $1,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.
Bishop's Address, page ——

St. James' Mission, Sturgis, County of St. Joseph, 1890.

Norman Harrison, Lay Reader in charge.
George Harris, Jr., Warden.
Mrs. Wm. Van Ness, Secretary.
Mrs. B. K. Putnam, Treasurer.
Clay Harris, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation. families, 52; adults, 124; children, 42. Of these, baptized persons, 166. Baptized during the year, infants, 3. Confirmed

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persons in the Parish, 55. Communicants last reported, 49. Not found, 6; total lost, 6. Present number male, 17; female, 32; total, 49. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 42. Holy Communion, public, 9. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 5; total, 6. Pupils, male, 10; female, 15; total, 25; average attendance, 20. Subscribers to Church Helper, 9. Names of Parochial societies: Ladies' Guild, Young People's Society Spiritual Growth.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $0.80; from the offertory, $33.39; the envelope system, $167; individual gifts, $22.60; Women's Guilds, $126 68; other sources, $9. Total, $359.47.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported) $13.21; for the Rector's salary, (paid to C. R. Taylor,) $164.25; for other salaries, paid to Mr. Harrison, (Lay Reader), $35.40; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, rent of chapel, $75; lights, $20. Total for Parochial objects, $307.86.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the Convention, $21.68; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.57; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3. Total for Diocesan objects, $27.25.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General Missions. $1.70.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.70.

Total of Disbursements, $336.81.

Balance in hand, $22.66.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Salary of the Rector, $200.

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REMARKS.

The figures relating to families and Church constituency, etc., have been copied from last year's report, as I have come into the Parish too recently to be exact. N. HARRISON, Lay Reader.

St. Paul's Church, St. Joseph, County of Berrien, 1897.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Rector (1897.)
R. Gates Rice, Warden.
John C. St. Clair, Secretary.
Thos. S. Clarke, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 28; adults, 68; children, 12; total, 80. Of these, baptized persons, 69. Baptized during the year, infants, 1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 47. Communicants, last reported, 43; admitted, 1. Present number male, 14; female, 30; total, 44. Marriages, 1. Public services, Sundays, 52. Holy Communion, public, 2.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $22.58; from the offertory, $148.53; the envelope system, $25; subscriptions, $650 for Church lot; individual gifts, $22; Women's Guilds, $150. Total, $1,018.11.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $135.50; for

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all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $2.10; for rent of building for services, $55; for Church lot, (Woman's Guild paid $150), $800.
Total for Parochial objects, $992.60.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $7.50; assessment of the Convention, $6.94. Total for Diocesan objects, $14.44.
Total of Disbursements, $1,007.04.
Balance in hand, $11.07.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church lot, $800. Indebtedness, floating, $9.82, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $2.32; Missionary pledges, $7.50.)
Bishop's Address, page 93.

St. Johannes' Church, Tustin, County of Osceola, 1872.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1894.)
N. Nelson, M. Swanson, Wardens.
John Peterson, Secretary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 12; adults, 20; children, 12; total, 32. Of these, baptized persons, 30. Baptized during the year, infants, 1. Public services, week days, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

Individual gifts, $1. Total, $1.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid, united offering, $1. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church and lands, $700.
Bishop's Address, page——

Trinity Mission, Three Rivers, County of St. Joseph, 1898.

The Rev. Artemas Wetherbee, Missionary.
C. E. Jameson, Lay Reader.
C. Elmer Jameson, Warden.
Mrs. G. G. Armitage, Secretary.
Mrs. J. D. Green, Treasurer.
C. E. Jameson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 26; adults, 53; children, 14; total, 67. Of these, baptized persons, 55. Baptized during the year, infants, 1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 36. Communicants, last reported, 24; received, 2; total added, 2. Present number male, 6; female, 20; total, 26. Public services, Sundays, 54; holy days, 2; week days, 1; total, 57. Holy Communion, public, 9. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 5; total, 7. Pupils, male, 5; female, 8; total, 13; average attendance, 10. Catechising number of times, 12; Number of volumes, Sunday School library, 110. Subscribers to Church Helper, 9. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild. Have held Missionary services in Constantine 2 times.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $8.29; individual gifts, $11.55; Women's Guilds, $76.79; the Sunday School, $18.59. Total, $115.22.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For repairs on the Church and Rectory, $4; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $84.34; by the Sunday School, for self support, $9.54.

Total for Parochial objects, $97.88.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $6.19; Bishop's Trust Fund, $0.75. Total for Diocesan objects, $6.94.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $1.35; by the Sunday School, for Dr. Langford Memorial Fund, $6.05; by the Sunday School, for Domestic missions, $3.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $10.40.

Total of Disbursements, $115.22.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $3,000. Indebtedness, due the Diocese on assessment, $2.58. Insurance on the Church, $2,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 275; of these, free, all.

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Church of the Redeemer, Whitehall, County of Muskegon, 1891.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1894).
Martin DeMass, Warden.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 20; children, 10; total, 30; of these, baptized persons, 25. Baptized during the year, infants, 2. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 20. Communicants, last reported, 20; present number, male, 4; female, 16. Public scrvices, week days, 4. Holy Communion, public, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $2.55; Women's Guilds, $7. Total, $9.55.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For all expenses of Parish maintenance, $2.55; the increase and improvement of Church property, $4.

Total for Parochial objects, $6.55.

Total of Disbursements $6.55.

Balance in hand, $3.00.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $3,000. Indebtedness, floating, missionary pledges, $5.15. Insurance, on the Church, $1,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 125; of these, free, all.

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UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Unorganized Mission, Clare, County of Clare, 1897.

The Rev. Wm. Westover, in charge to September 1, 1897.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10: adults, 20; children, 10; total, 30; of these, baptized persons, 15. Baptized during the year, children, 4. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 15. Communicants, last reported, 4; present number, female; 4.

Bishop's Address, page ——

St. Stephen's Mission, Unorganized, Schoolcraft, County of Kalamazoo.

The Rev. Artemas Wetherbee, Missionary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 14; adults, 37; children, 3; total, 40; of these baptized persons, 37. Baptized during the year, infants, 1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 26. Communicants, last reported, 24; removed, 4; total lost, 4; present number, male, 2; female, 18; total, 20. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 51; holy days, 6; week days, 3; total, 60. Holy Communion, public, 19; private, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 5. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild. Have held missionary services in Three Rivers 10 times; Holy Communion, 5; Vicksburg, 2.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $26.25; from the offertory, $23; alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $13.96; subscriptions, $50; Women's Guilds, $35.38; income from investments, $30. Total, $178.59.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary (paid to June 1st), $75; for other salaries, $12.75; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $24.76. Total for Parochial objects, $112.51.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $5; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $1; Bishop's trust fund, $2.50; church at Mancelona, $1. Total for Diocesan objects, $9.50.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $5; domestic missions, $1; general clergy relief fund, $1.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $7.00.

Total of Disbursements, $129.01.

Balance in hand, $49.58.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $2,000; investments, $500; total, $2,500. Indebtedness, floating, missionary pledges, $11. Salary of the Rector, $75. Insurance, on the Church, $1,000. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, 150.

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APPENDIX C.

PERSONAL AND OTHER REPORTS.

To the Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, S. T. D., Bishop of Western Michigan:

Tabular statement of services and offerings for the year ending May 31, 1898:

TOWNS AND MISSIONS.	Sunday Services.	Services or Visits During the Week.	Celebrations Holy Communion.	Baptisms, Children.	Confirmations.	Marriages.	Burials.	Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.	General Missions.	Diocesan Missions.
Cassopolis, St. James'	6	....	3	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	$11 05
Charlotte, Grace	6	2	3	4	..	..	..	.....	.....	14 25
Grand Ledge	....	2	2	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....
Homer, Christ Church	6	2	3	..	..	..	1	.....	.....	11 05
Mendon, St. Paul's	8	1	4	..	..	..	..	$1 15	.....	.....
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	10	4	6	1	2	1	..	.....	.....	6 99
Rockford, St. James'	4	....	1	..	..	..	..	1 30	.....	.....
Sturgis, St. James'	8	3	4	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	1 81
Three Rivers, Trinity	16	3	4	1	..	..	..	.....	.....	6 19
Union City, Grace	8	2	4	..	..	..	..	.....	$2 00	10 75
TOTAL	72	19	34	6	2	1	1	$2 45	$2 00	$62 09

St. Mark's Paw Paw, to N. Y. B. and C. P. Book Society	5 00
Grace, Union City, offering to pay fees for recording Articles of Incorporation	7 50
Total offering passing through my hands	$79 04

JOSEPH W. BANCROFT,
General Missionary.

REPORT OF ST. GEORGE'S CHAPEL, DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

To the Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of Western Mich.:

The Chaplain of the Diocesan School for Girls respectfully reports that during the year the daily service has been kept, up and also the Thursday Communion. The members of the school have contributed to the work of the Diocese and of the general church, as will be seen from the accompanying report:

RECEIPTS.

Chapel offerings, personal gifts, all sources	$93 42

EXPENDITURES.

Foreign Missions (Joseph W. Bancroft scholarship)	$60 72
Colored Missions	4 50

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Diocesan Missions	14 67	
Confirmee Fund	2 50	
Chapel	9 70	
Sundry small expenses	1 33	
		$93 42
Box to St. Mary's School, Rosebud Agency	$13 00	
" " Colored Missions in South Carolina	7 00	
		$20 00
Total Contributions		$113.42

JAMES EDWARD WILKINSON,
Chaplain.

REPORT OF THE REV. CYRUS MENDENHALL, CHAPLAIN STATE HOUSE OF CORRECTION AND REFORMATORY.

The work of the Chaplain is full of variety, covering seven days in the week. He has duties secular and spiritual. Every man entering the prison is recorded in the Chaplain's department. His antecedents, crime, habits, schooling, age, and many other particulars of interest to students of penology are entered. The date of sentence, the ward and cell in which he is locked and his assignment to labor must be noted. If he has money or stamps an account is opened with him. The "Rules and Regulations" governing the Reformatory are read and explained to him, and such good advice as the case may call out is given.

All letters received or mailed are read in this department, and newspapers inspected. For the year covering this report the average per month has been 2,050 letters, 4,000 papers and a few packages.

The necessary information and proper blanks for application for pardon or commutation of sentence is furnished in our office.

We answer hundreds of letters of inquiry from officers of the law and anxious friends as to the inmates, or as to what may be sent them, or how they may be visited, etc.

Men consult us in matters pertaining to business, property interests, legal questions, spiritual difficulties and future conduct. A strict attention to business, accurate accounts, keeping the contents of letters a sacred trust, all this helps us to gain the confidence of the men and aids in the influences and agencies for good.

Sunday morning at 10:30 a service is held. All attend except those excused by the physician. We use a modified form of the Morning Prayer, printed on cards and supplied to each man. Our singing, which is always good, is by an inmate choir. No man has a more respectful and attentive audience than the Chaplain. Our topic or text is taken from the Gospel or Epistle for the day, and our aim is to be plain, pointed and practical. At 2 o'clock a Teacher's Meeting is held. At 2:30 Sunday School. Friday evenings a service in which we use the Prayer Book. The men are given an opportunity to speak on the subject of the meeting, and singing is a special feature much enjoyed by all.

The Sunday School and prayer meeting are attended by men who have been recommended by their keepers and are deemed worthy of the privilege by the Chaplain. About 175 now on the list.

At such times as the men are not at work we visit them at their cells, thus coming in personal contact with them. 4,143 such visits have been made in the year past, also 57 hospital visits, and 479 interviews held in the office. When a man is discharged we try to give him counsel and encouragement. I have delivered 61 addresses and sermons; attended one funeral.

Every Sunday evening I have assisted the Rev. W. H. Thomas, D.

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D., Rector of St. John's, Ionia, in the services and at other times when possible.

REPORT OF THE REV. AUSTIN W. MANN, GENERAL MISSIONARY TO DEAF MUTES.

Since sending you my last annual report, I have held services for deaf mutes at the following places: Grand Rapids, St. Beda's Mission, St. Mark's Church; and Coldwater, St. Mark's Church. The services at the Flint School have reached many pupils from this Diocese; and those at St. Paul's Church, Jackson were attended by a few from Homer, Albion, Tekonsha and elsewhere near the Diocesan border. Of the fifteen at the Coldwater service three were from Indiana; one from Dowagiac.

The smaller number of places served this year is due to my absence in Europe. I went over on invitation to attend a Convention of Headmasters of British Schools for Deaf Mutes, and a meeting of the British Deaf Mute Association. The former was held at the Institute, Glasgow; the latter at the Parish House of St. Saviour's Church for the Deaf, 419 Oxford Street, London. During my stay in the British metropolis, I assisted at a service in that Church, and at one of its Missions—St. Philip's, Stepney. The opening service of this Association was held in one of the small chapels of St. Paul's Cathedral. I revisited Westminster Abbey, the British Museum, Old St. Bartholomew's, Smithfield and many other places interesting to the traveler in the Old World. In company with the delegates, I took a boat ride up the Thames to Hampton Court.

After the adjournment of the Convention, I held services at Missions in Glasgow, Belfast and Liverpool, and addressed the congregation at Cork. Schools were visited at Belfast, Glasgow, Edinburg, Liverpool and Paris.

Since my return, I have given a number of accounts of my observations from notes taken. Two have been given to St. Beda's Mission; the same number at the Flint School.

As in past years, so during this, I have ministered in the other Dioceses of my large Missionary field, and outside in a few instances, in New York, Philadelphia, Toronto, Montreal and Belleville; the latter, the seat of the Ontario School for Deaf Mutes.

Besides the places in this Diocese served during the year, I have officiated at the following since the beginning of the Mid-Western Mission in 1873: Kalamazoo, Battle Creek, Marshall, Albion, Niles, Allegan, Mount Pleasant, Ludington, Holland, Cassopolis, Allegan, Grand Haven, Muskegon, Hastings, Charlotte, Coopersville, Ionia. I hope to add to the list a few more during the coming year.

Prayer books and tracts have been distributed, as in past years; the former being the gift of the New York and the Bishop White Prayer Book Societies.

The work extending over a wide area calls for a large correspondence and the making of quarterly and annual reports. Since 1875, over 300 of the latter have been published in the appendixes of more than a dozen Convention journals of as many Dioceses. Besides these a pamphlet has been published annually for distribution.

There is a falling off this year in twelfth Sunday after Trinity offerings, so much needed to meet Mission expenses and make up for insufficiency of salary. Since my last report, Missouri, with a stipend of $150, and several offerings, has been relinquished to my former assistant, who is canonically connected with that Diocese. There is plenty for me to do east of the Mississippi; but this loss of stipend and offerings makes necessary an effort to secure a slight increase of each stipend remaining.

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RECEIPTS FROM THE DIOCESE.

Stipend	$125 00
From Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft, Hastings	3 00
" Combined service at Coldwater	4 05
" Holy Trinity Church, Benton Harbor	40
" Deaf Mute Services, St. Beda's Mission, Grand Rapids	5 23
	$137 68

REPORT OF REV. ALBERT E. WELLS, B. D.

I would report the following services from June 1st, 1897 to June 1st, 1898:

I officiated in charge of Grace Church, Traverse City to the 15th of October, when my resignation took effect. The official acts will form part of its report. I officiated one Sunday, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, in St. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids. From that to the 1st of January I was out of the Diocese. From that date to the close of the Convention year I have been assisting in the services of several parishes and missions.

I have had two weddings and two baptisms; conducted or assisted in 134 public services. I have officiated also at two burials.

REPORT OF REV. SIDNEY BECKWITH.

Since resigning my parish the first of November last, I have been taking a much needed rest.

REPORT OF REV. CARL E. G. OPPEN.

I beg to report that I have offered yesterday my services to the Governor of Wisconsin and expect to receive his appointment as chaplain in one of our Wisconsin regiments, now being ordered to the front.

My position with the firm of Fred Kraus & Co., will remain open for me, and the present unhappy war being ended and my services no longer required, I intend to take up the same work again.

REPORT OF THE REV. MORELEY MORRIS, KALAMAZOO.

Continued illness prevents my officiating in Church services.

REPORT OF THE REV. HENRY HUGHES.

I respectfully report that during the year ending June 1st, 1898 I have held 3 Sunday services, 3 marriages and 2 burials, besides assisting at several other services.

LAY READERS' REPORTS.

Muskegon, St. Luke's, Alfred Bullock:—"The following is my report as Lay Reader for St. Luke's Mission for the year ending Easter, 1898. Sunday evening services, 16; week evening, services, 12."

Charlevoix, Christ Church, E. H. Green:—"I can report only 12 Sunday services conducted by me, and one Holy Day service."

Elk Rapids, St. Paul's Church, Mr. H. B. Lewis:—"I have read Morning Prayer on Sundays, forty-seven times and Evening Prayer and address three times during the past year. Since the reorganization of our chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in November last, the

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attendance at the services has, by its efforts, been largely increased."

Newaygo, St. Mark's Church, E. S. Bennett:—"I have held morning service on all the Sundays in Lent, but one, and on Easter Sunday."

Petoskey, Emmanuel Church, St. Q. H. Williams:—"During. the year I have read the Morning and Evening Lessons for the Rector and have held regular services for him twice."

Battle Creek, St. Thomas', John Eyre Nelson:—"Owing to my being called to England early in February, I have been unable to accomplish my usual amount of work as Lay Reader. I have, however, taken week day services, and assisted the Rector on several occasions, besides contributing towards the general welfare of the Church and Parish."

Homer, Christ Church, N. D. Beedon:—"I have read services in Christ Church, Homer, forty-one times in the year ending Easter, 1898.

Three Rivers, Trinity, C. Elmer Jameson:—"According to the rule of the Diocese, I present the following report: Services in Three Rivers, 12 Sundays; in Hastings and Big Rapids, one Sunday each, under direction of the Rectors."

Marshall, R. S. Garwood:—"My duties as Lay Reader for the past year, have been to take part in, or charge of the services of the Church as requested by the Rector, and to conduct the Sunday School as acting Superintendent. It has given me great pleasure to be thus able to help in the work of the Church and to help on the cause of Christ by doing what I could. While the amount has not been much, still I am thankful that I could do as much as was desired of me."

Grand Rapids, Grace, Chas. K. Seymour,—"I herewith submit my report for the year ending April 10th, 1898. Morning Prayer in Grace Church, 1; Evening Prayer in Grace Church, 2. Morning Prayer in St. John's Church, 26."

Holland, C. A. Stevenson:—"I held sixteen services in Grace Church, Holland, in July and August, 1897, during the absence of the Rector."

Kalamazoo. W. Y. Reithard:—"As a Lay Reader in this Diocese, I report services conducted in Trinity Church, Three Rivers, on Easter Sunday, April 10, 1898, as follows: 6:30 a. m., 10:30 a. m., Morning Prayer and address. 7 p. m., Evening Prayer and address."

Allegan, Charles R. Wilkes:—"As Lay Reader of the Church of the Good Shepherd, I have assisted the Rector in two Sunday evening services. Conducted the morning service the Sunday before Lent, and read a sermon at one week day service during Lent."

Greenville, St. Paul's Church, Dr. John Avery:—I have the honor to report that as Lay Reader I have held service each alternate Sunday morning in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, commencing on the Eighth Sunday after Trinity, 1897, except one Sunday, and have read the lessons once for the Bishop and once for the Rector. Intense cold and severe storm caused the omission.

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ANNUAL MEETING, ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, BATTLE CREEK, MAY 31, 1898.

The Annual Meeting of the Western Michigan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary met in St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, on Tuesday, May 31, 1898, and was opened by a celebration of the Holy Communion, by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, who delivered an interesting and helpful address. The Bishop and several of the Clergy of the Diocese remained during the greater portion of the several sessions.

The following is the list of Parishes represented: Grand Rapids, St. Mark's and Grace; Kalamazoo, St. Luke's; Battle Creek, St. Thomas'; Coldwater, St. Mark's; Ionia, St. John's; Niles, Trinity; Hastings, Emmanuel; Holland, Grace; Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity; St. Joseph, St. Paul's.

No business of special importance was transacted. The pledges of last year were renewed. An interesting feature was the reading of letters written by Indian girls attending St. Elizabeth's School, Dakota. Special interest has been manifested in Archdeacon Joyner's work during the past year.

Mrs. Mary E. Pomeroy read a paper, a Memorial Tribute to the late Rev. Wm. S. Langford, D. D., which was well received.

Report of Boxes, Woman's Auxiliary.

PARISH.	DESTINATION.	NO.	VALUE
Allegan, Good Shepherd ..	Colored School, South Carolina .	2	$20 00
Coldwater, St. Mark's, Jrs.	Colored School, North Carolina.	1	7 50
Coldwater, St. Mark's, Woman's Auxiliary..	Colored, South Carolina..... Western Points.....	1 2	78 10
G'd Rapids, St. Mark's...	Western, 3; Southern, 3.....	6	274 00
Grand Rapids, Grace.....	Western, 2; Southern, 1.....	3	28 35
Grand Haven, St. John's, "Juniors."	Western, 2; Southern, 1.....	3	22 79
Grand Haven, St. John's, Woman's Auxiliary.....	Southern, 1.....	1	37 00
Ionia, St. John's.....	Diocesan.....	1	9 36
Petoskey, Emmanuel.....	Eastern.....	1	12 00
Sturgis, St. James'.....	Eastern.....	1	2 00
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's, Guild	Western, 1; Diocesan, 1.....	2	6 45
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's, "Juniors"	Western, Indian.....	1	12 50
Niles, Trinity.....	Western, 5; Southern, 1	6	62 64
Akeley Missionary Society	Western, 1; Southern, 1.....	2	22 00
	Total value of Boxes.....		594 69

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TABULAR STATEMENT, RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

PARISH BRANCHES.	Colored Salary Fund.	Dr. Cumming Scholarship St. Paul's School, Yankton, S. Dakota.	Bishop Gillespie Scholarship St. Margaret's School, Tokyo, Japan.	Little Cot, St. Mary's Orphanage, Shanghai, China.	J. W. Bancroft Scholarship Garre Bublen School, Wuchang, China.	E. E. Robinson Scholarship St. Elizabeth's School, Standing Rock, S. Dakota	Bishop Rowe, Hospital, Circle City, Alaska.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Specials sent through General Treasury.		Specials sent direct not through General Treasurer.		For General Missions.		Diocesan Work.		
									Dom.	For.	Dom.	For	Boxes. No.	Boxes. Val.	Money	Boxes	No. of Boxes.
Allegan, Good Shepherd	$ 5 75	$ 3 28	$.....	$ 6 00	$.....	$ 7 50	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	....	2	$ 20 00	$.....	$.....	.....
Akeley Missionary Society	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	.....	.....	.....	4 50	.....	.....	....	2	22 00	5 00	.....	.....
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....
Coldwater, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	4	85 60	.....	.....	.....
Gd Rapids, St. Mark's, & Ind'l B'd	51 75	18 00	20 00	7 00	.....	17 00	10 00	18 00	2 00	.....	.....	....	6	274 00	10 00	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Grace	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	3	28 35	.....	.....	.....
Grand Haven, Juniors	11 25	6 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 20	.....	.....	....	4	59 79	.....	.....	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	6 25	5 00	.....	.....	.....	7 50	.....	6 25	.....	.....	2 25	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ionia, St. John's and Juniors	10 00	2 00	10 00	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	9 36	1
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's and Jrs.	42 00	15 00	5 00	12 00	.....	15 00	5 00	15 00	36 50	28 00	.....	....	3	18 95	20 00	.....	.....
Niles, Trinity and Breck. Guild	6 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	6	62 64	.....	.....	.....
Petoskey, Emmanuel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1	12 00	.....	.....	.....
Sturgis, St. James'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	1
Homer, Christ	1 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Traverse City, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTALS	$164 33	$60 03	$40 00	$30 00	$40 00	$60 00	$25 00	$44 25	$77 20	$28 00	$3 25	....	31	$583 33	$40 00	$11 36	2

Total Diocesan Pledge $470 00
Paid to Treasurer 463 58

Specials $103 45
Boxes 594 69

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D. G. ROBINSON'S REPORTS—SUPPLEMENTARY.

[These reports of the Treasurer of the Mission Board were inadvertently omitted from their place on page 52.]

LIST OF UNPAID PLEDGES MADE FOR DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

Trinity, Grand Rapids	$118 35	
Christ Church, Homer	12 04	
St. James', Pentwater	29 75	
Grace, Traverse City	8 30	
Redeemer, East Jordan	2 25	
Redeemer, Whitehall	5 15	
St. James', Albion	15 00	
Lyons, Grace	5 00	
Brotherhood, Muskegon	5 00	
Good Shepherd, Allegan	10 00	
St. John's, Ionia	24 32	
Christ Church, Luther	15 76	
St. Paul's, St. Joseph	7 50	
Nativity, Mancelona	16 95	
Christian Endeavor, Ionia	10 00	
Rev. C. R. Hodge	10 00	
Geo. W. Cole	5 00	
		$300 37

Hastings, Mich. June 3, 1898. D. G. ROBINSON, Treas.

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer:

In account with Bishop's Trust Fund, for moneys received from June 3, 1897, to June 1, 1898.

1897.		
June 3.	Cash on hand	$117 96
June 21.	Trinity, Niles	6 15
June 22.	All Saints', Saugatuck	4 00
July 7.	Grace, Ludington	2 15
" "	Woman's Auxiliary, Kalamazoo	15 00
Aug. 4.	Redeemer, East Jordan	78
Aug. 24.	Emmanuel, Petoskey	9 50
Sept. 1.	Nativity, Mancelona	1 75
Sept. 23.	St. Alban's, Dowagiac	3 30
Sept. 26.	St. Johns, Mt. Pleasant	3 05
Nov. 10.	Grace, Charlotte	5 00
" "	Nobles, Kalamazoo	50
Dec. 3.	Mrs. VanDeusen's Bible Class, Kalamazoo	15 00
" "	Rev. C. R. Taylor, on loan made in 1895	20 00
1898.		
Jan. 3.	St. Alban's, Dowagiac	1 91
Feb. 8.	Grace, Holland	4 35
Feb. 12.	St. James', Cassopolis	1 40
Feb. 16.	Mrs. C. L. Loveday	50
March 1.	Trinity, Three Rivers	75
" 2.	St. James', Pentwater	2 00
" 2.	St. Andrew's, Hart	1 07
" 3.	St. Mark's, Coldwater	5 00
" 12.	St. Paul's, Greenville	2 80
" 24.	Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor	6 44
" 29.	St. Luke's, Kalamazoo	18 80
April 5.	St. James', Albion	3 88
" 6.	Daughters of the King, Battle Creek	5 00
" 6.	Woman's Auxiliary, Hastings	6 25

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April 6.	St. Paul's Mendon	1 10
" 6.	St. James', Sturgis	1 00
" 9.	Trinity, Niles	4 51
" 12.	Trinity, Marshall	8 00
" 12.	St. Thomas', Battle Creek	8 00
" 12.	St. Andrew's, Big Rapids	1 21
" 18.	Emmanuel, Hastings	6 65
" 19.	Mrs. Loveday	1 00
" 22.	St. John's, Sturgis	3 00
" 23.	St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft	2 50
" 26.	Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Bal. on hand returned from Kalamazoo Convocation	7 08
May 2.	Grace, Charlotte	1 75
" 4.	Grace, Traverse City	1 88
" 5.	Emmanuel, Petoskey	2 50
" 7.	Redeemer, East Jordan	96
" 9.	St. Paul's, Elk Rapids	3 73
" 13.	St. John's, Ionia	5 03
" 16.	St. John's, Grand Haven	4 26
" 16.	St. Mark's, Newaygo	2 65
May 16.	Good Shepherd, Allegan	4 51
" 18.	Calumet, per Rev. Mr. Jewell	2 00
" 18.	St. Luke's Guild, Feb. 17, Kalámazoo	10 00
" 18.	St. Luke's Junior Auxiliary, Feb. 17, Kalamazoo	5 00
" 18.	St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft	50
" 23.	F. A. Gorham, Treas. Income Rectory Building Fund	42 07
" 24.	St. Paul's, Muskegon	10 29
" 24.	St. Luke's, Muskegon	50
June 1.	St. Matthew's, Grand Rapids	62
	Total	$306 59

CREDIT FOR MONEYS DISBURSED.

1897.		
June 14.	Paid draft given to Mrs. Abbie Williams	$22 37
July 2.	" order to Rev. Lewis Brown, expenses attending Examination Candidates for Orders	3 00
" 2.	" order to Rev. C. D. Atwell, for same	1 00
" 16.	" Bishop's bill of items from Jan. 15, 1896 up to Nov. 21. 1897	9 30
" 24.	" James Pott & Co. bill of Sept. 14, 1897	5 58
Oct. 4.	" Current History for Akeley Institute	1 50
Nov. 4.	" Rev. W. P. Law expense bill as per order of 9-25	75
" 16.	Cash for expenses of Clergy at Convocation held at Hastings	30 00
" 16.	Paid Rev. W. E. Wright expenses acct. V. O. from the Bishop	35
Dec. 13.	" Rev. Dr. VanAntwerp's expenses acct. attending meeting of Standing Committee 12-18	90
" 20.	" bill to Thos. Whittaker, dated 12-28	2 25
" 24.	" Young Churchman Co. bill of 12-22	6 80
1898.		
Feb. 17.	Paid Bishop's bill of items up to Feb. 15, 1898	11 50
Mar. 14.	" Seymour & Muir Printing Co. bill of 3-12	2 50
" 15.	" Bishop's order given to Mrs. Wilkinson	5 00
" 23.	" Rev. C. D. Atwell expenses attending Examination of Postulant as per order	2 00
" 25.	" Rev. Wm. Lucas for same as per order	1 25
April 15.	" for Evening Post for Akeley Institute	2 00
" 19.	" Rev. J. W. Bancroft expenses of Kalamazoo Convocation V. O. from the Bishop	30 00

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May 30.	"	Eben P. S. Miller, stipends from June 1, 1897 to June 1, 1898, as per order	50 00
" "	"	C. Chas. White, stipends from June 1, 1897, to June 1, 1898	75 00
" "	"	West Michigan Printing Co. bills from June 14, 1897 to April 28, 1898, as per vouchers	12 75
" "	"	F. A. Gorham interest on Loan of $1000 to Akeley Institute, as per order	40 00
June 1.	"	expenses of Rev. Wm. Lucas attending convocation held at Kalamazoo	80
			$316 60
Balance on hand to new account			89 99
Total			$406 59

1898.
June 3. Cash on hand $89 99

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer.
In account with Deaf Mute Fund.

1897.

July 23.	From Mrs. E. P. Fuller	$ 5 00	
	" Christ Mission, Charlevoix	3 00	
Sept. 1.	Transferred from Diocesan Mission Fund	125 00	
7.	From Emmanuel Church, Hastings	3 35	
1898.			
June 1.	Good Shepherd, Allegan	3 95	
			$140 30

1898. CONTRA. CR.

June 1.	Paid Stipends to Rev. A. W. Mann	$125 00
3.	Balance to new account	15 30
		$140 30

1898.
June 3. Cash on hand ..... $ 15 30

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer.
In account with Bishop's Penny Fund from June 3, 1897 up to June 1, 1898.

1897.
June 3. Cash on hand $22 37
1898.
Jan. 3. " from Emmanuel Sunday School Hastings. 1 03
$23 40

1898. CONTRA.
June 1. Cash on hand $23 40

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer.
In account with Book and Tract Fund.

1897.
June 3. Cash on hand $10 00
$10 00

1898.
Feb. 24. Paid the Bishop's Order to Rev. W. P. Law... $5 00
June 1. Balance on hand to new account 5 00
$10 00

1898.
June 1. Cash on hand $5 00

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D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer.
In account with New Book Fund.

1897.			
June 3.	Cash on hand	$7 78	

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer.
In account with Ministerial Education Fund.

1897.			
June 3.	Cash on hand	$5 00	

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer.
In account with Church Building Fund.

1897.	June 3. On hand		$22 23
1897.	CONTRA.		
June 24.	Paid Rev. J. W. Bancroft, interest on Mendon Mortgage, as per vote of Board of Missions	$10 80	
1898.	June 1. Balance on hand	11 43	
			$22 23
1898.	June 1. Balance on hand	$11 43	

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NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Property, by whom held.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Rectory.	Other Property.	Insurance Carried.	Indebtedness Secured	Indebtedness Floating.	Reduction of Debt.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	Rector's Salary.	Amount Paid on Rector's Salary.	Whole Number of Sittings.	Number of Sittings Free.	Number of Sittings Rented.
Albion, St. James'	Vestry	$ 5000 00	$	$	$ 3500	$	$ 33 83	$	$ 9 50	†$ 500	$465 02	150	150	.....
Allegan, Good Shepherd	Vestry	5500 00	1500 00	.....	5000	.....	10 00	.....	40 00	* 900	900 00	250	250	.....
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	Vestry	24000 00	3000 00	2500 00	12500	500 00	.....	.....	.....	* 1800	1800 00	400	.....	400
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	Vestry	2500 00	1400 00	.....	3150	.....	346 40	.....	.....	* 450	448 52	250	250	.....
Coldwater, St. Mark's	Vestry	16700 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	450 00	.....	.....	1000	1083 33	400	125	275
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	Association	5000 00	.....	13 28	3000	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	250	.....
Grand Haven, St. John's	Vestry	6500 00	1200 00	.....	4300	750 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	Vestry	65000 00	.....	.....	18000	1500 00	2400 00	973 27	.....	† 3000	3113 50	1100	.....	Rented
Grand Rapids, Grace	Vestry	30000 00	6000 00	.....	15500	14650 00	.....	825 00	125 00	* 1200	950 00	600	600	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	Vestry	3800 00	.....	.....	2500	80 00	200 00	48 00	.....	720	720 00	250	64	186
Grand Rapids, Trinity	Vestry	6000 00	.....	.....	3000	1600 00	325 00	.....	.....	.....	609 31	350	350	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	Vestry	8000 00	.....	.....	4000	675 00	.....	.....	148 00	900	839 00	300	300	.....
Holland, Grace	Vestry	3500 00	.....	.....	2500	.....	.....	100 00	.....	500	500 00	150	150	.....
Homer, Christ	Vestry	2000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	74 18	.....	.....	.....	.....	130	130	.....
Ionia St. John's	Vestry	10500 00	.....	.....	7500	1161 23	384 32	92 89	74 00	1500	1291 32	325	325	.....
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	Vestry	50000 00	6000 00	60716 84	40000	.....	600 00	.....	.....	*1800	1800 00	700	700	.....
Ludington, Grace	Vestry	3500 00	.....	.....	.....	500 00	40 00	.....	.....	300	86 15	150	150	.....
Manistee, Holy Trinity	Vestry	9000 00	1400 00	.....	2500	4000 00	28 88	.....	.....	* 500	759 08	300	300	.....
Marshall, Trinity	Vestry	12000 00	3400 00	7029 66	11300	.....	.....	.....	.....	* 1000	999 97	450	450	.....
Mendon, St. Paul's	Vestry	1000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	180 75	200	200	.....
Muskegon, St. Paul's	Vestry	60000 00	5000 00	6000 00	18700	‡27000 00	275 00	528 49	.....	* 1100	1039 08	750	350	400
Niles, Trinity	Vestry	15000 00	3000 00	.....	8000	600 00	.....	196 27	.....	* 900	567 00	500	275	225
Saugatuck, All Saints'	Vestry	2000 00	.....	.....	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300	300	.....
Traverse City, Grace	Vestry	2000 00	.....	.....	1000	.....	70 43	.....	910 80	800	262 92	150	150	.....
Union City, Grace	Vestry	1800 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 08	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		$350300 00	$31900 00	$76259 78	$167450	$53016 23	$5248 12	$2763 92	$1207 30	$18970	18412 95	8755	5819	1486

*And Rectory. †Rent partially or wholly paid. ‡Has been paid since Convention.

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NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Property, by whom held.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Rectory.	Other Property.	Insurance Carried.	Indebtedness Secured.	Indebtedness Floating.	Reduction of Debt.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	Rector's Salary.	Amount Paid on Rector's Salary.	Whole Number of Sittings.	Number of Sittings Free.	Number of Sittings Rented.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	Association	$ 400 00	$ 200 00	$	$ 600	$	$	$	$			200	200	
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	Association	3500 00			1800					$400	$ 280 00	200	200	
Cassopolis, St. James'					125							150	150	
Central Lake, St. Matthias'	Association	800 00			500	300 00	80 00					100	100	
Charlevoix, Christ	Association	1900 00			1000		275 00		200 81			150	150	
Charlotte, Grace	Trustees	3500 00			1500		1 50		285 00			200	200	
Coopersville, Epiphany	Association	100 00												
Dowagiac, St. Alban's														
East Jordan, Redeemer	Association	1500 00			500		87 25					100	100	
Grand Rapids, St. John's	Association	4000 00			2000	2450 00	24 00					250	250	
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's	St. Mark's	†3000 00				1500 00						150	150	
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's														
Greenville, St. Paul's	Association	1500 00			1000		78 71	51 00		300	261 19	170	170	
Harbor Springs, St. John's	Association	2500 00			2000							200	200	
Hart, St. Andrew's														
Luther, Christ	Association	650 50			500		27 38	25 00				80	80	
Lyons, Grace														
Mancelona, Nativity	Association	1000 00			1000		17 95		500 00			80	80	
Muskegon, St. Luke's	Association	1000 00			400							100	100	
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	Association	2500 00	1800 00		2500		57 93		34 41	400	247 05	150	150	
Newaygo, St. Mark's	Association	3500 00			1500		5 02					200	200	
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	Association	†1400 00					3 10		39 23					
Pentwater, St. James'	Association	2000 00	450 00		1300	79 00	29 75	51 00				100	100	
Petoskey, Emmanuel	Association	6000 00			2500		29 50			700	641 68	350	350	
Quincy, St. John's	Association	†1200 00			1000							150	150	
Rockford, St. James'	Association	1500 00			1000				2 97			150	150	
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	Association			800 00			9 82				135 00			
Tustin, St. John's	Trustees	700 00		1200 00										
Three Rivers, Trinity	Association	3000 00			2000		2 58					275	275	
Whitehall, Redeemer	Association	3000 00			1000		5 15					125	125	
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	Association	2000 00			1000		11 00			75	75 00	150	150	
		$52150 00	$2450 00	$2000 00	$26725	$4329 00	$745 64	$127 00	$1062 41	$1875	$1639 92	3580	3580	

†Last Year's Report.

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.—PARISHES.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	PAROCHIAL RECEIPTS.						PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.								
	From Offertory.	Subscriptions, Pew Rents, Envelopes.	Women's Associations.	Sunday School.	Other Sources, Including Balances.	TOTAL.	Communion Alms.	Rector's Salary.	Other Salaries.	Insurance.	Other Parish Expenses.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	Paid on Indebtedness.	By or for Sunday School.	Balance in Hand.	TOTAL.
Albion, St. James'	$ 153 03	$ 461 20	$ 70 00	$	$ 71 99	$ 756 22	$13 04	$ 465 02	.....	$ 41 15	$ 170 84	$ 9 50	.....	.....	$ 56 67	$ 699 55
Allegan, Good Shepherd	.....	981 72	180 00	.....	64 40	1226 12	.....	900 00	133 00	.....	75 72	40 00	.....	25 00	.....	1153 72
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	546 79	2376 26	519 97	91 78	255 75	3790 55	106 54	1800 00	422 29	55 84	921 32	.....	.....	67 44	47 69	3373 43
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	100 16	255 74	205 67	.....	88 90	652 64	.....	448 52	49 50	.....	43 57	.....	.....	.....	32 15	541 59
Coldwater, St. Mark's	338 58	892 40	.....	.....	313 50	1544 48	.....	1083 33	.....	.....	266 44	.....	.....	.....	15 32	1349 77
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	214 98	.....	89 00	70 58	15 55	390 11	.....	85 50	10 50	.....	32 89	150 00	.....	37 03	11 51	316 22
Grand Haven, St. John's	218 03	448 13	260 40	39 04	206 90	1168 50	.....	600 00	131 72	27 52	185 29	.....	.....	16 88	40 65	961 41
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	1498 29	4778 26	1125 09	136 03	1451 66	8983 33	184 73	3113 50	477 00	89 75	2855 79	.....	973 27	116 03	119 46	7810 07
Grand Rapids, Grace	844 61	1428 97	913 61	190 85	1166 77	4544 81	.....	950 00	591 00	.....	1786 99	125 00	825 00	114 96	31 07	4392 95
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	113 99	645 46	146 30	98 68	196 33	1200 76	.....	720 00	105 00	.....	233 54	.....	48 00	84 22	10 00	1190 76
Grand Rapids, Trinity	120 75	544 47	33 00	.....	57 29	755 51	.....	609 31	.....	.....	134 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	743 43
Hastings, Emmanuel	.....	1027 60	315 26	62 72	147 10	1559 45	.....	839 00	135 50	73 60	219 82	148 00	.....	3 25	.....	1423 22
Holland, Grace	167 84	325 75	240 00	.....	74 16	808 35	6 15	500 00	55 00	25 00	40 62	.....	100 00	.....	18 44	726 77
Homer, Christ	31 40	.....	15 35	12 80	.....	59 55	.....	11 05	2 04	.....	18 38	.....	.....	12 80	15 28	44 27
Ionia, St. John's	651 65	1249 29	92 14	59 72	45 71	2238 51	13 62	1291 32	131 71	140 00	197 49	74 00	92 89	40 54	31 16	1981 57
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	1125 28	2514 43	969 51	96 62	22599 88	27305 72	133 79	1800 00	1501 30	10 50	879 50	.....	.....	57 19	174 30	4651 79
Ludington, Grace	35 34	86 15	75 81	.....	62 43	259 63	.....	86 15	25 00	.....	63 85	3 50	28 20	.....	.....	216 70
Manistee, Holy Trinity	361 78	583 37	62 00	28 62	268 36	1324 13	20 71	759 08	.....	.....	462 42	.....	.....	13 31	16 37	1255 52
Marshall, Trinity	384 94	1154 86	.....	141 80	1145 59	3827 19	24 00	999 97	157 46	76 25	186 72	1375 00	.....	51 50	638 08	2870 90
Mendon, St. Paul's	22 46	155 00	25 75	.....	.....	203 21	.....	180 75	13 95	1 50	7 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	203 30
Muskegon, St. Paul's	199 93	954 03	578 26	.....	644 42	2376 64	.....	1037 08	219 40	100 00	187 06	.....	528 49	.....	155 72	2072 03
Niles, Trinity	138 89	563 23	483 92	37 12	159 76	1382 92	3 37	567 00	113 99	62 00	259 17	.....	196 27	.....	23 69	1201 80
Saugatuck, All Saints'	19 00	.....	.....	.....	50 00	69 00	.....	30 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00
Traverse City, Grace	134 57	158 99	102 87	17 26	985 53	1399 22	9 13	262 92	.....	8 50	73 83	984 53	.....	14 29	3 18	1354 20
Union City, Grace	18 25	.....	.....	.....	2 00	20 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 50
TOTAL	$7340 54	21585 31	$6503 91	$1083 62	30674 58	$67844 80	515 08	19139 50	$4305 36	$711 61	$9511 37	$2909 53	$2792 12	754 44	$1440 74	$40621 47

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.—MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	PAROCHIAL RECEIPTS.						PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.								
	From Offertory	Subscriptions Pew Rents, Envelopes.	Woman's Guild.	Sunday School	Other Sources Including Balances.	TOTAL.	Communion Alms.	Rector's Salary.	Other Salaries.	Insurance.	Other Parish Expenses.	Increase and Improvem't of Church Prop'y.	Paid on Indebtedness.	By or for the Sunday School.	Balance in Hand.	TOTAL.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	$	$	$	$	$ 141 00	$141 00	$	$	$	$ 7 00	$ 84 69	$	$	$ 15 00	$ 32 81	$ 106 69
B'ton Harbor, Holy Trin'y	191 88	211 10	116 93	.....	6 22	526 13	26 67	280 00	48 00	18 00	10 10	.....	.....	7 87	87 56	390 64
Cassopolis, St. James'	11 77	.....	72 72	2 50	40 97	127 96	.....	.....	.....	2 50	77 30	.....	.....	.....	32 44	79 80
C'nt'l Lake, St. Matthias'	12 36	4 18	44 76	1 25	.....	62 55	.....	.....	.....	8 00	38 96	.....	10 00	.....	4 34	56 96
Charlevoix, Christ	83 76	.....	163 43	30 14	.....	277 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 00	.....	30 14	.....	230 94
Charlotte, Grace	51 15	.....	66 98	.....	285 00	403 13	.....	21 06	.....	.....	66 98	285 00	.....	.....	.....	373 04
Coopersville, Epiphany	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Jordan, Redeemer	11 07	6 20	13 08	.....	3 87	34 22	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 34	.....	15 00	.....	5 14	27 34
Grand Rapids, St. John's	66 10	.....	93 61	39 00	32 00	230 71	.....	.....	.....	34 00	146 71	.....	50 00	.....	.....	230 71
G'd Rapids, St. Matthew's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenville, St. Paul's	117 50	253 85	11 00	13 32	38 09	431 76	.....	261 19	29 75	.....	45 45	.....	51 00	8 27	1 36	395 66
Harbor Springs, St. John's	101 52	.....	.....	.....	.....	101 52	.....	59 50	.....	.....	23 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	82 75
Hart, St. Andrew's	2 57	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 57	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Luther, Christ	15 10	3 65	.....	.....	25 00	43 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	25 00
Lyons, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	480 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 00	450 00	.....	.....	.....	468 00
Mancelona, Nativity	18 50	325 45	6 00	6 51	206 00	542 40	.....	.....	.....	2 00	18 00	500 00	.....	.....	4 90	520 00
Muskegon, St. Luke's	11 78	.....	42 89	25 78	15 42	95 87	.....	.....	24 50	6 80	22 10	.....	.....	22 98	.....	76 38
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	.....	253 41	128 11	15 90	.....	397 42	.....	247 05	17 10	28 50	23 65	34 41	.....	21 02	13 42	351 73
Newaygo, St. Mark's	51 27	.....	50 00	10 00	.....	111 27	.....	.....	8 00	.....	20 00	.....	.....	10 00	23 90	38 00
Paw, Paw, St. Mark's	22 07	15 75	59 48	.....	.....	97 30	.....	.....	.....	12 10	23 98	39 23	.....	.....	.....	75 31
Pentwater, St. James'	69 34	.....	55 00	20 00	62 00	206 34	.....	.....	6 00	.....	21 17	.....	51 00	.....	50 64	92 11
Petoskey, Emmanuel	189 61	643 97	107 13	88 14	54 51	1083 36	.....	641 68	103 25	17 00	141 23	.....	.....	78 14	6 02	981 30
Quincy, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rockford, St. James'	15 37	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 97	.....	.....	.....	2 97
Sturgis, St. James'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	148 53	675 00	150 00	.....	44 58	1018 11	.....	135 50	.....	.....	57 10	800 00	.....	.....	11 07	992 60
Tustin, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity	8 29	.....	76 79	18 59	11 55	115 22	.....	.....	.....	.....	88 34	.....	.....	9 54	.....	97 88
Whitehall, Redeemer	2 55	.....	7 00	.....	.....	9 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 55	4 00	.....	.....	3 00	6 55
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	36 96	50 00	35 38	.....	56 25	178 59	.....	75 00	12 75	.....	24 76	.....	.....	.....	49 58	112 51
TOTALS	$1249 05	$2442 56	$1299 29	$271 13	$1023 46	$6534 73	$26 67	$1720 98	$249 30	$135 90	$946 66	$2335 61	212 00	$202 96	$326 18	$5806 84

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—WITHIN THE DIOCESE—PARISHES.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Diocesan Missions.	Convention Assessment.	Christmas Fund.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Aid to Candidates for Holy Orders.	Woman's Auxiliary Aid in the Diocese.	Sunday School Aid in the Diocese.	For Akeley Institute	Deaf Mute Fund.	Diocesan Church Building Fund.	Other Objects.	TOTAL.
Albion, St. James'	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....
Allegan, Good Shepherd	35 00	66 90	8 00	4 50	.....	.....	10 00	3 00	3 95	.....	.....	121 35
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	105 00	162 74	13 41	8 00	.....	5 00	25 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	294 15
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	14 07	47 42	3 00	10 71	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 70	78 90
Coldwater, St. Mark's	80 00	68 14	3 50	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	161 64
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	20 00	1 98	5 62	3 73	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	31 33
Grand Haven, St. John's	39 48	49 41	3 69	4 26	.....	.....	.....	5 75	.....	1 00	.....	103 59
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	450 00	371 07	34 98	29 51	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	885 56
Grand Rapids, Grace	25 00	69 29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 50	.....	.....	.....	100 79
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	57 00	32 50	.....	5 75	.....	27 00	5 00	.....	3 50	.....	6 01	104 76
Holland, Grace	5 00	33 56	6 15	4 35	.....	.....	.....	4 75	.....	.....	.....	53 81
Homer, Christ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ionia, St. John's	62 72	96 56	4 11	5 03	.....	.....	1 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	168 42
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	214 60	198 76	33 00	18 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	465 16
Ludington, Grace	6 23	28 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	37 43
Manistee, Holy Trinity	30 00	9 63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 63
Marshall, Trinity	75 00	67 06	8 31	8 00	.....	.....	.....	13 00	.....	.....	.....	158 37
Mendon, St. Paul's	8 84	.....	1 15	1 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 09
Muskegon, St. Paul's	50 00	82 00	4 13	10 29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	146 42
Niles, Trinity	65 50	83 42	.....	4 51	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	157 43
Saugatuck, All Saints'	.....	.....	2 50	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 50
Traverse City, Grace	.....	14 00	.....	1 88	.....	1 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 48
Union City, Grace	10 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 75
TOTAL	$ 1354 19	$ 1482 64	$ 131 46	$ 129 42	.....	$ 33 60	$46 70	$ 45 00	$ 12 45	$ 1 00	$ 9 71	$ 3052 56

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—WITHIN THE DIOCESE—MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Diocesan Missions.	Convention Assessment.	Christmas Fund.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Aid to Candidates for Holy Orders.	Woman's Auxiliary Aid in the Diocese.	Sunday School Aid in the Diocese.	For Akeley Institute.	Deaf Mute Fund.	Diocesan Church Building Fund.	Other Objects.	TOTAL.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	$ 1 50	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 1 50
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	10 00	17 66	1 00	6 44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 10
Cassopolis, St. James'	10 00	1 82	.....	1 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 22
Central Lake, St. Matthias'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Charlevoix, Christ	27 31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	3 00	.....	.....	31 31
Charlotte, Grace	23 24	.....	.....	6 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 09
Coopersville, Epiphany	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Jordan, Redeemer	.....	.....	.....	1 74	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 74
Grand Rapids, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenville, St. Paul's	.....	20 98	3 70	2 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 48
Harbor Springs, St. John's	23 23	6 29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 52
Hart, St. Andrew's	1 50	.....	.....	1 07	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 57
Luther, Christ	15 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 10
Lyons, Grace	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Mancelona, Nativity	12 05	.....	.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 80
Muskegon, St. Luke's	14 30	2 69	.....	1 50	.....	.....	2 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 49
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	.....	22 93	1 55	3 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 53
Newaygo, St. Mark's	40 00	.....	.....	2 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42 65
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	16 99	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 99
Pentwater, St. James'	45 00	4 96	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54 46
Petoskey, Emmanuel	15 00	59 84	2 70	12 50	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	90 04
Quincy, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rockford, St. James'	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Sturgis, St. James'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	7 50	6 94	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 44
Tustin, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity	6 19	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 94
Whitehall, Redeemer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	6 00	.....	1 00	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 50
TOTAL	$ 294 91	$ 144 11	$ 8 95	$ 47 00	.....	.....	$ 7 80	$1 00	$3 00	.....	.....	$ 503 47

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PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.—OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	General Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Colored Missions.	Indian Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Bible and Prayer Book Societies.	American Church Building Fund.	General Clergy Relief.	By Sunday School.	By Women's Guilds.	Other Objects.	Total Outside Diocese.	Grand Total for all Purposes.
Albion, St. James'	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 699 55
Allegan, Good Shepherd	83 07	4 65	5 85	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 00	113 57	1388 64
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	75 28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 25	50 00	.....	75 28	3742 86
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	620 49
Coldwater, St. Mark's	.....	.....	16 25	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 75	1529 16
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	28 55	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31 05	378 60
Grand Haven, St. John's	40 16	2 88	.....	7 35	.....	3 26	3 12	.....	.....	.....	18 00	6 08	62 85	1127 85
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	41 24	100 00	27 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	168 24	8863 87
Grand Rapids, Grace	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	20 00	4513 74
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1190 76
Grand Rapids, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	743 43
Hastings, Emmanuel	17 72	2 25	3 90	.....	.....	1 55	.....	.....	.....	17 72	2 25	.....	25 42	1553 40
Holland, Grace	6 83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	9 33	789 91
Homer, Christ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44 27
Ionia, St. John's	48 04	.....	5 00	.....	.....	4 32	.....	.....	.....	23 04	30 00	.....	57 36	2207 35
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	174 59	30 78	49 50	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 43	153 16	22 76	297 63	5414 58
Ludington, Grace	5 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 50	.....	.....	5 50	259 63
Manistee, Holy Trinity	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 61	1307 76
Marshall, Trinity	150 68	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 39	.....	.....	3 77	115 17	.....	.....	159 84	3289 11
Mendon, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	223 39
Muskegon, St. Paul's	.....	2 47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 47	2220 92
Niles, Trinity	47 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47 00	.....	.....	47 00	1359 23
Saugatuck, All Saints'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	2 50	69 00
Traverse City, Grace	17 50	.....	.....	8 00	.....	00 74	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 24	1396 92
Union City, Grace	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	20 25
TOTALS	$703 16	$143 03	$110 00	$25 35	$11 00	$16 76	$10 73	.....	$5 27	$276 11	$303 41	$50 34	$1137 64	$44854 67

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—DISBURSEMENTS OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.—MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	General Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Colored Missions.	Indian Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Bible and Prayer Book Society.	American Church Building Fund.	General Clergy Relief.	By Sunday School.	By Women's Societies.	Other Objects.	Total Outside Diocese.	Grand Total for all Purposes.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 108 19
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	8 00	2 66	1 77			00 40				3 00	5 00		12 83	438 57
Cassopolis, St. James'	2 50									2 50			2 50	95 52
Central Lake, St. Matthias'	1 25									1 25			1 25	58 21
Charlevoix, Christ	4 86	2 11	2 11				3 00	3 00		4 86			15 08	277 33
Charlotte, Grace														403 13
Coopersville, Epiphany														
Dowagiac, St. Alban's														
East Jordan, Redeemer														29 08
Grand Rapids, St. John's														230 71
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's														
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's														
Greenville, St. Paul's	7 36						2 00			3 36			9 36	432 50
Harbor Springs, St. John's														82 75
Hart, St. Andrew's														2 57
Luther, Christ	3 65										3 65		3 65	43 75
Lyons, Grace	1 30												1 30	480 30
Mancelona, Nativity	3 20								1 50	3 20			4 70	537 50
Muskegon, St. Luke's														95 87
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	4 74									3 00			4 74	384 00
Newaygo, St. Mark's	1 70	2 70						1 15	1 17		1 70		6 72	87 37
Paw Paw, St. Mark's							5 00						5 00	97 30
Pentwater, St. James'	6 00	2 00							1 00				9 06	155 63
Petoskey, Emmanuel	5 00							1 00					6 00	1071 34
Quincy, St. John's														
Rockford, St. James'								2 40					2 40	15 37
Sturgis, St. James'														
St. Joseph, St. Paul's														1007 04
Tustin, St. John's	1 00										1 00		1 00	1 00
Three Rivers, Trinity	3 00	1 35										6 05	10 40	115 22
Whitehall, Redeemer														6 55
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	5 00	1 00							1 00				7 00	129 01
TOTALS	$58 62	$11 82	$ 3 88			$00 40	$10 00	$ 7 55	$ 4 67	$21 17	$11 35	$ 6 05	$102 99	$6385 81

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS—MEMBERSHIP—PARISHES.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Families.	Adults.	Children.	BAPTISMS. Total.	Whole Number of Baptized.	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Confirmed During the Year.	Whole Number Confirmed in Parish.	COMMUNICANTS. Last Report.	Added.	Lost.	Male.	Female.	Total.	PUBLIC SERVICE. Sundays.	Holy Days.	Week Days.	Total.	Celebrations, Public.	Celebrations, Private.	Marriages.	Burials.	SUNDAY SCHOOL. Teachers. Male.	Teachers. Female.	Teachers. Total.	Scholars. Male.	Scholars. Female.	Scholars. Total.	Average Attendance.	No. Catechisings.	No. Books in Library.
Albion, St. James	35	95	20	115	114	2	1	3	3	*74	75	8	9	...	...	74	149	7	41	197	72	6	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Allegan, Good Shepherd	65	192	46	238	177	7	1	8	5	143	146	7	10	45	98	143	90	10	48	148	20	4	4	5	6	6	12	36	50	86	60	12	320
Battle Creek, St. Thos.	195	485	270	755	630	16	13	29	28	350	329	36	15	99	251	350	138	86	30	254	75	12	8	17	3	13	16	60	80	140	90	12	165
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	24	130	75	205	150	5	...	5	5	60	60	5	12	14	46	60	130	....	40	190	....	....	1	5	1	4	5	..	....	60	30	52	....
Coldwater, St. Mark's	100	†300	60	360	†300	5	...	5	3	165	159	3	...	47	115	162	154	44	95	248	63	....	4	7	2	8	10	....	....	72	47	48	345
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	41	113	62	175	142	8	...	8	....	69	57	9	2	19	45	64	....	....	....	....	10	....	....	2	3	4	7	28	42	70	45	....	50
Grand Haven, St. John's	....	186	50	236	225	8	2	10	7	132	127	16	11	44	88	132	174	43	71	288	80	1	3	3	1	7	8	24	33	57	45	12	....
Grand Rapids, St. Mk's	459	750	400	1150	1000	8	3	11	7	900	653	16	10	...	...	659	142	....	145	287	84	8	9	19	6	8	14	50	100	150	100	10	....
Grand Rapids, Grace	75	....	....	†325	†300	14	1	15	24	301	213	88	...	89	212	300	144	20	74	238	81	....	3	12	6	15	21	80	120	200	....	20	....
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	125	210	125	335	300	10	...	10	....	168	123	16	28	27	84	111	119	19	36	164	18	2	3	6	3	8	11	52	73	125	91	10	150
Grand Rapids, Trinity	30	103	39	142	†130	....	....	....	....	142	254	....	112	74	68	142	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	4	5	20	30	50	30	....	....
Hastings, Emmanuel	103	178	110	288	†250	7	7	14	5	*134	130	5	3	26	108	134	98	11	140	249	70	2	11	10	3	12	15	34	50	84	51	52	....
Holland, Grace	35	85	22	107	†100	3	1	4	9	54	51	9	13	13	39	52	84	6	39	129	13	....	1	2	2	4	6	8	15	23	....	....	....
Homer, Christ	12	20	9	29	29	....	....	....	....	31	....	....	4	14	13	27	45	....	3	48	4	....	....	3	2	4	6	7	9	16	12	....	....
Ionia, St. John's	118	221	99	320	†300	5	4	9	10	201	177	14	3	58	143	201	141	7	67	215	18	....	11	7	5	14	19	48	69	118	90	4	....
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	‡250	....	....	‡600	‡600	11	4	15	10	500	420	14	14	85	335	420	174	41	72	287	90	3	16	17	4	14	18	63	84	47	100	12	....
Ludington, Grace	36	64	29	93	† 75	4	3	7	....	69	68	....	5	5	20	25	78	26	11	115	14	2	....	2	1	3	4	10	12	22	15	30	....
Manistee, Holy Trinity	95	210	218	428	409	14	1	15	1	*200	199	8	7	70	130	200	156	33	300	489	169	....	4	11	2	5	7	45	62	107	....	....	....
Marshall, Trinity	107	....	....	†321	†300	14	7	21	36	*205	170	37	2	....	....	205	62	1	40	103	10	2	4	9	3	9	12	44	69	113	75	....	....
Mendon, St. Paul's	32	73	20	93	54	1	...	1	....	* 32	33	1	1	9	23	32	42	....	....	42	9	....	1	1	1	2	3	6	10	16	9	....	....
Muskegon, St. Paul's	129	324	197	521	388	15	2	17	....	*209	196	13	2	....	....	209	....	....	....	....	....	....	7	10	2	8	10	43	80	123	80	....	....
Niles, Trinity	120	250	100	350	†300	13	4	17	....	240	....	....	....	30	100	130	37	16	13	66	17	....	....	8	3	11	14	51	56	107	60	....	....
Saugatuck, All Saints'	† 12	....	....	† 45	† 40	....	....	....	2	* 25	26	2	3	5	20	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Traverse City, Grace	53	135	52	187	140	17	8	25	8	72	....	....	....	8	49	57	44	7	39	90	28	....	2	3	2	6	8	....	....	40	....	22	....
Union City, Grace	10	....	....	30	25	....	....	....	....	20	18	1	2	2	15	17	8	....	2	10	4	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
TOTALS	2259			7448	6478	187	62	249	165	4196		338	268			3932				3837	949	44	92	166			231			1826			

* Same as number of Communicants. † Estimated. ‡ Last year's report.

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NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Families.	Adults.	Children.	BAPTISMS. Total.	Whole Number Baptized.	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Confirmed During the Year.	Whole Number of Confirmed in Parish.	COMMUNICANTS. Last Report.	Added.	Left.	Male.	Female.	Total.	SERVICES. Sundays.	Holy Days.	Week Days.	Total.	Celebrations, Public.	Celebrations, Private.	Marriages.	Burials.	SUNDAY SCHOOL. Teachers. Male.	Teachers. Female.	Teachers. Total.	Scholars. Male.	Scholars. Female.	Scholars. Total.	Average Attendance.	No. times Catechised.	No. vol. in Library.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	6	14	12	26	20	...	...	...	...	8	7	...	...	...	...	7	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	40	...	...
Benton H'b'r, Holy Trin'y	50	130	38	168	159	6	...	6	7	93	80	7	8	22	51	73	104	9	20	133	15	2	2	6	2	2	4	6	16	22	18	12	220
Cassopolis, St. James'	15	24	20	44	41	...	...	...	1	20	19	2	1	4	16	20	8	....	4	12	3	....	...	...	...	4	4	8	11	14	25	27	52	...
Centre Lake, St. Matthias'	...	....	...	30	‡30	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	10	...	....	9	9	...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	...	...	...
Charlevoix, Christ	20	34	49	79	‡79	...	...	...	...	37	35	...	2	7	31	37	9	....	7	16	3	....	...	...	...	1	4	5	18	30	48	35	...	...
Charlotte, Grace	25	49	24	73	66	3	1	4	....	38	56	2	24	8	26	34	10	...	2	12	5	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coopersville, Epiphany	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	‡1	....	....	....	....	‡1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	...
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	‡22	....	....	....	....	‡22	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	...
East Jordan, Redeemer	10	28	16	34	‡34	1	...	1	3	16	18	...	...	3	12	15	....	....	9	9	3	....	...	...	...	1	4	4	...	...	16	...	...	...
Grand Rapids, St. John's	15	20	10	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	33	5	15	....	....	23	30	....	....	30	7	....	....	....	....	2	5	7	....	....	60	....	....	....
G'd Rapids, St. Matthew's	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	‡30	....	....	....	....	‡30	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	‡16	....	6	....	....	‡10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Greenville, St. Paul's	31	70	25	95	90	1	1	2	4	71	51	5	5	14	40	54	....	....	....	....	14	1	....	1	3	2	5	11	14	25	16	....	200
Harbor Springs, St. John's	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	‡5	....	....	....	....	‡5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Hart, St. Andrew's	10	20	10	30	15	...	...	...	....	10	8	...	...	4	4	8	....	....	2	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Luther, Christ	20	25	15	40	40	2	...	2	....	....	23	2	2	10	13	23	11	....	9	20	3	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Lyons, Grace	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	7	1	26	....	....	....	....	....	26	13	....	....	13	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Mancelona, Nativity	18	35	10	45	30	...	...	...	4	14	10	5	...	5	10	15	10	....	4	14	6	....	....	....	....	....	2	2	6	10	16	....	....	...
Muskegon, St. Luke's	15	24	15	39	‡39	6	...	6	....	18	‡35	...	17	4	14	18	50	....	40	90	6	....	....	2	1	6	7	20	45	65	40	30	...
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	47	115	53	168	134	2	1	3	1	88	65	3	1	...	...	67	31	4	22	57	9	1	....	....	1	6	7	....	....	40	25	5	...
Newaygo, St Mark's	25	35	20	55	45	4	2	6	5	*35	35	7	7	10	25	35	21	....	1	22	6	....	....	1	....	5	5	10	25	35	30	6	...
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	15	....	....	42	‡42	1	...	1	2	24	14	4	1	1	16	17	12	....	6	18	6	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	...
Pentwater, St. James'	44	45	35	80	70	9	2	11	8	50	45	8	3	10	40	50	29	....	1	30	8	....	1	....	2	4	6	10	40	50	30	5	...
Petoskey, Emmanuel	‡54	‡114	‡68	‡182	‡163	4	3	7	12	*83	80	17	14	...	...	83	147	9	70	235	57	3	5	1	5	9	14	...	...	50	40	50	200
Quincy, St. John's	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	‡16	....	....	....	....	‡16	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Rockford, St. James'	10	20	10	30	25	...	...	...	....	16	16	...	...	...	...	16	22	....	....	22	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Sturgis, St. James'	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	‡47	....	....	....	....	‡47	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	28	68	12	80	60	1	...	1	....	47	43	1	...	14	30	44	52	....	....	52	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Tustin, St. John's	12	20	12	32	30	1	...	1	....	*10	‡10	....	....	....	....	‡10	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Three Rivers, Trinity	26	53	14	67	55	1	...	1	....	36	24	2	...	6	20	26	54	2	1	57	9	....	....	....	....	2	5	7	5	8	13	10	12	110
Whitehall, Redeemer	15	20	10	30	25	2	...	2	....	20	20	....	....	4	16	20	....	....	4	4	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	14	37	3	40	37	1	...	1	....	26	24	....	4	2	18	20	51	6	3	60	19	1	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Clare, St. Ann's	10	20	10	30	15	4	...	4	....	15	4	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Scattering	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
TOTALS	535	1021	491	1561	1352	49	10	66	48	801	925	70	110			932	676	30	224	930	180	8	11	13			85			530			

* Same as number of Communicants. † Estimated. ‡ Last year's report.

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1898.

CLERGY—		
Bishop	1	
Priests	33	
		34
Ordinations to the Priesthood		1
Candidates for Holy Orders, Priests		2
Postulants		1
Lay Readers Licensed		13
Number of Church Buildings		49
Missions Organized		1
Number of Parishes		25
Organized Missions		31
Unorganized Missions		6
BAPTISMS—		
Infants	236	
Adults	72	
Undesignated	7	
		315
Confirmations—Bishop's Report		233
Marriages		103
Burials		179
No. of Families reported		2794
No. of Souls reported		9017
No. of Baptized persons reported		7838
Sunday School Teachers and Officers reported		316
Sunday School Scholars reported		2356
Whole Number of Confirmed reported		4997
Communicants reported		4864
Decrease in Number of Communicants		165

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY—		
Churches and Chapels	$402,450.00	
Rectories	34,350.00	
Other Property	76,459.78	
Total Property		$513,259.78
Total Insurance carried		194,175.00
Total Indebtedness		63,338.99

SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—		
Communion Alms	$ 541.75	
Salaries and Current expenses including Insurance and interest	36,720.68	
Increase of Church Property	5,245.14	
Reduction of Indebtedness	3,004.12	
For Sunday Schools	957.40	
Balance in hands of Treasurers	1,766.92	
Total		$48,236.01

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FOR DIOCESAN OBJECTS—		
Diocesan Missions	$ 1,649.10	
Diocesan Assessment	1,626.75	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	140.41	
Bishop's Trust Fund	176.42	
By Woman's Auxiliary	33.60	
Deaf Mute Fund	15 45	
Akeley Institute	46.00	
Other Objects in the Diocese	9.71	
Total		$ 3,697.44
FOR OBJECTS EXTERIOR TO THE DIOCESE—		
General Missions	$ 821.22	
Domestic Missions	154.80	
Foreign Missions	113.88	
Missions to Colored People	25.85	
Indian Missions	11.00	
Jewish Missions	17.16	
Bible and Prayer Book Society	20.73	
American Church Building Fund	7.55	
*By Women's Societies	297.28	
*By Sunday Schools	274.76	
Other Objects	56.39	
Total		$1,228,08
Total for all purposes, including balances,		$53,161,53

*Not included in total.

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ASSESSMENT FOR 1898.

Parishes and Missions in the Diocese of Western Michigan.

The following is the schedule of Current Expenses of Parishes and Missions, as shown by reports to last Convention, which is the basis upon which the Assessment for the year 1898-9 is computed. The amount to be paid from the Assessment is made up of the following items:

For the Episcopal Fund (for Bishop's Salary)	$1,500 00
" Expense of printing Journal of Convention	200 00
" Salary of Secretary of Convention	100 00
" Expenses of Delegates to General Convention	100 00
" Assessment of General Convention	125 00
" Incidental Expenses	50 00
Total to be provided for	$2,075 00

An Assessment of 6 % is hereby made upon the amount of the footing below, viz.: $33,431.92, assessed upon the several Parishes and Missions as follows:

LOCATION.	NAME OF PARISH.	EXPENSE.	RATE	AMOUNT.
Albion	St. James'	$607 01	6%	$36 42
Allegan	Good Shepherd	1,108 72	6%	66 52
Battle Creek	St. Thomas'	3,199 45	6%	191 97
Big Rapids	St. Andrew's	541 59	6%	32 50
Coldwater	St. Mark's	1,339 77	6%	80 39
Elk Rapids	St. Paul's	127 90	6%	7 67
Grand Haven	St. John's	904 52	6%	54 27
Grand Rapids	St. Mark's	5,157 12	6%	309 43
Grand Rapids	Grace	2,118 66	6%	187 12
Grand Rapids	St. Paul's	1,058 54	6%	63 51
Grand Rapids	Trinity	695 63	6%	41 74
Hastings	Emmanuel	1,267 92	6%	76 08
Holland	Grace	620 62	6%	37 24
Homer	Christ	31 47	6%	1 89
Ionia	St. John's	1,760 52	6%	105 63
Kalamazoo	St. Luke's	4,191 30	6%	251 48
Ludington	Grace	140 00	6%	8 40
Manistee	Holy Trinity	1,011 50	6%	60 69
Marshall	Trinity	1,420 40	6%	85 22
Mendon	St. Paul's	203 35	6%	12 20
Muskegon	St. Paul's	1,543 54	6%	92 61
Niles	Trinity	1,002 16	6%	60 13
Saugatuck	All Saints'	60 00	6%	3 60
Traverse City	Grace	345 25	6%	20 72
Union City	Grace	7 50	6%	45
	MISSIONS.			
Baldwin	St. Matthew's	91 69	6%	5 50
Benton Harbor	Holy Trinity	355 20	6%	21 31
Cassopolis	St. James'	79 80	6%	4 79
Central Lake	St. Matthias'	25 96	6%	1 56
Charlotte	Grace	88 04	6%	5 28
East Jordan	Redeemer	12 34	6%	74
Grand Rapids	St. John's	51 71	6%	3 10
Greenville	St. Paul's	336 39	6%	20 18
Harbor Springs	St. John's	82 75	6%	4 97
Lyons	Grace	18 00	6%	1 08
Mancelona	Nativity	22 05	6%	1 32
Muskegon	St. Luke's	53 40	6%	3 20
Mt. Pleasant	St. John's	316 30	6%	18 98
Newaygo	St. Mark's	68 00	6%	4 08
Paw Paw	St. Mark's	53 07	6%	3 18
Pentwater	St. James'	72 17	6%	4 33
Petoskey	Emmanuel	847 16	6%	50 83
St. Joseph	St. Paul's	192 60	6%	11 56
Three Rivers	Trinity	88 34	6%	5 30
Schoolcraft	St. Stephen's	112 51	6%	6 75
Totals		$33,431 92		$2,005 92

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A Calendar for the Conventional Year.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

It shall be the duty of the minister of every Church in the Diocese to take an offering for Diocesan missions once a month, or by stated pledge from the members of the Church, and the proceeds shall be remitted to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, quarterly. Canon XVII, Sec. 3.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity—Discourse on Cruelty to Animals (Epistle).
Sunday before July 4—Some National topic.
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity—Offering for Deaf Mute Missions, (Gospel.)
Sunday after September Ember Days—Offering for the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.
October—Prison Sunday as appointed.
November—Second Sunday, Offering for American Church Building Fund Commission. The Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference.
Thanksgiving Day—The suggestion of a sermon on Civil Service Reform has the endorsement of a number of Bishops.
The Eve of St. Andrew's Day—Intercession for Missions.
Advent Sunday—Offering for Domestic Missions.
Christmas Day—Offerings for Diocesan Fund for the Disabled Clergy, etc. Canon XII, Sec. 1.
Second Sunday after the Epiphany—Offerings for Foreign Missions.
First Sunday after the Epiphany—Schools and Colleges.
Sundays after Epiphany—Offerings in Sunday Schools for Church building in the Diocese.
Sexagesima Sunday—Work among Colored People.
Wednesday before Quinquagesima Sunday—The Quiet Day for the Clergy.
Good Friday—Offering for Jewish Missions.
The week after the first Sunday after Easter—The Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference.
Third Sunday after Easter—Offerings for Indian Missions.
Whitsunday—Offerings for Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies.

ERRATA.

In line 19, page 49, the expression should be "do more *to ease* the chafe."

In the Bishop's Journal of Official Acts, under June 8. Tuesday. The Biennial Meeting of the Board of Trustees should read the Annual Meeting.

On page 91, under head of October 21, the name of James Lloyd Breck is printed wrong; it should be Breck and not Brech.

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THE

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Diocese of Western Michigan

Will be held in Grace Church, Grand Rapids, commencing on WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7th, A. D. 1899, at 9 a. m.

J. N. RIPPEY, Secretary.

A FORM OF BEQUEST.

To the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, a body Corporate under the Laws of the State of Michigan, and empowered to receive and hold any property, real or personal, for the use and benefit of said Diocese:

I hereby give, devise and bequeath, unto the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan the sum of.....Dollars, for

(a) The uses and purposes of said Association; or

(b) For the uses of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen and Widows and Orphans of the Clergy; or

(c) For the uses of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese; or

(d) For the Missions of the Diocese; or

(e) For the Rectory Building Fund, or for any other specific use of the Diocese; or

(f) For.....Parish....., the annual proceeds thereof to be devoted to the support of the Rector, or to repairs of the Church, or to any other Parochial object specified.

(g) For Akeley Institute.

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OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN

WHICH MET IN

GRACE CHURCH, GRAND RAPIDS,

ON

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, JUNE 7-8, 1899.

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Committee on 25th Anniversaries of the Consecration of Bishop Gillespie, and of the Organization of the Diocese:

The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D.
The Rev. J. N. McCormick.
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.
Mr. George Willard.
Mr. D. G. Robinson

IMPORTANT TO PARISHES.

The Corporate term of existence of a Parish, like most other corporations is thirty years only. (*See Constitution of the State of Michigan, Art. XV; Sec. 10.*) (*See Law of 1897 in Appendix.*)

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DIGEST OF THE CANONS.

TITLE I—CANON 18.

GENERAL REGULATION OF MINISTERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

§ 1. [1] It is hereby required that, on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form or to this effect:

We, the Church Wardens (or in case of an Assistant Minister, we, the Rector and Church Wardens), to the Right Rev. (naming the Bishop) or to the Rev. (naming the President of the Standing Committee) that (naming the person) has been duly chosen Rector (or Assistant Minister, as the case may be) of (naming the Parish or Church).

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of those who certify.

N. B.—The *date* of election to the Rectorship should be given in the Canonical notice sent to the Bishop.

§ 2. No minister moving from one Diocese or Missionary District to another shall officiate as the Rector or Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate in the words following:

I do hereby certify that the Rev. A——B——has been Canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a minister in regular standing.

TITLE II.—CANON 12.

REGULATIONS RESPECTING THE LAITY.

§ 1. A Communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a Communicant until such letter shall be produced.

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

CANON VII.

VACANT CHURCH AND CLERICAL SETTLEMENT AND REMOVAL.

SEC. 1. Whenever an incorporated Church becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop.

SEC. 2. Prior to the election of a Minister of any incorporated Church the Vestry shall inform the Bishop of the name and residence of the person they propose to elect; and it shall be unlawful for the Vestry to take action on any name until the receipt of the Bishop's acknowledgment of such notification, and of his accompanying suggestion, if there be any: Provided he be at the time within the territory of the United States, and that his reply be not deferred longer than thirty

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days after the receipt of said notification. If, after the expiration of six months, the Vestry of such Church, which has become vacant, shall fail to call or settle a Minister, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to appoint one, and he shall notify the Vestry of such appointment, and upon their concurrence, the Minister so appointed shall become Rector of the Church.

SEC. 3. The Bishop may appoint Clergymen in the Diocese, or others, who can with most convenience discharge the duty, to supply such vacant Churches at such time as may be deemed convenient and proper. It shall be the duty of such vacant Churches thus supplied, to defray all the expenses incidental to such occasional services.

THE BISHOP'S TRUST FUND.

Resolved, That at the Episcopal visitations the offerings, after the Bishop's travelling expenses have been paid, be hereafter devoted to a Bishop's Trust Fund.—Convention, 1889.

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DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN
A. D. 1899.

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

The Right Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D. Grand Rapids.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Mt. Pleasant.
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., Assistant Secretary.

REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE.

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A LIST OF THE CLERGY.

In the Order of their Canonical Residence.

THE RT. REV. GEORGE DE NORMANDIE GILLESPIE, D. D.

Consecrated February 24, 1875.

NAME	RECEIVED	FROM WHAT DIOCESE
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, A. B.....	Dec. 2, 1874	..... Michigan
The Rev. Moseley Morris.....	Dec. 2, 1874	..... Michigan
The Rev. John Newton Rippey, M. D..	Nov. 30, 1884	....Southern Ohio
The Rev. J. Rice Taylor, M. A.....	Feb. 20, 1885	..... Vermont
The Rev. Henry Hughes.....	Sept. 6, 1886	..... Michigan
The Rev. Woodford P. Law.....	Nov. 26, 1887	.....Iowa
The Rev. Albert E. Wells, B. D.....	April 3, 1888	.....Nebraska
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.	April 17, 1888	Central New York
The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D.D.	Oct. 15, 1889	....Iowa
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.....	Feb. 21, 1890	..... Nebraska
The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne.....	Feb. 25, 1892	.....Ohio
The Rev. M. S. Woodruff.....	Oct. 1, 1892	..... Michigan
The Rev. W. E. Wright, B. D.....	Mar. 28, 1893	.....Long Island
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D....	May 5, 1893	.....Long Island
The Rev. William Westover	May 22, 1894	.....Quincy
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.....	Feb. 7, 1894	... Southern Ohio
The Rev. Sidney Beckwith	Aug. 14, 1894	..... Michigan
The Rev. Carl G. Oppen, D. D.....	Oct. 21, 1894	.....Milwaukee
The Rev. Herbert Sowerby.....	Mar. 26, 1895	.....Shanghai
The Rev. William Lucas.....	June 4, 1895	.....The Platte
The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall.....	Dec. 22, 1895	.....Ordination
The Rev. Artemas Wetherbee.....	Nov. 5, 1896	..... Michigan
The Rev. Chas. R. Hodge	Dec. 3, 1896	.....Indiana
The Rev. Herman P. Vicborn.	Dec. 7, 1896	..... Texas
The Rev. J. W. Armstrong.....	Jan. 28. 1897	.....Ohio
The Rev. Arthur H. Locke.....	Feb. 4, 1897	..... Albany
The Rev. Charles D. Atwell.....	May 21, 1897	Central New York
The Rev. Chas. T. Stout.....	Jan. 7, 1898	.....Indiana
The Rev. J. E. Walton.....	Jan. 18, 1898	..... Florida
The Rev. John Newton McCormick..	Feb. 1, 1898	.....Georgia
The Rev. Frederick Hall	Mar. 2, 1898	..... Michigan
The Rev. George Forsey.....	April 2, 1898	..... Michigan
The Rev. John Sword.....	May 24, 1898	.....Fond du Lac
The Rev. Chilton R. Stearns	Sept. 17, 1898	.....The Platte
The Rev. Thomas H. Cuthbert.....	Nov. 12, 1898	.....Milwaukee
The Rev. Norman Harrison	Dec. 11, 1898	.....Ordination
The Rev. Thomas Beeson.....	May 5, 1899	.....Milwaukee

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A LIST OF THE CLERGY.

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN, JUNE 7, 1899.

Those marked * are not entitled to seats in the Convention. Constitution ART. III. Those marked with † were not present.

BISHOP.

The Right Reverend George D. Gillespie, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese (Consecrated St. Matthias' Day, February 24th, A. D., 1875.) Episcopal residence, 162 Fountain Street, Grand Rapids.

PRESBYTERS.

Armstrong, Jean Weslau, Missionary, Emmanuel Church, Petoskey; Christ Church, Charlevoix; St. John's, Harbor Springs. January 28, 1897.

Atwell, Charles David, Rector Emmanuel Church, Hastings. May 21, 1897.

Bancroft, Joseph Webb, A. B., P. O., Hastings. December 2, 1874.

Beckwith, Sidney B. D., Rector Trinity Church, Grand Rapids. August 14, 1894.

*Beeson, Thomas, Missionary, St. Paul's Church, Greenville, May 5, 1899.

Brown, Lewis, B. D., Rector St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek. February 7, 1894.

Claiborne, Robert Roane, Rector St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo. February 25, 1892.

Cuthbert, Thomas H., Rector St. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids, Missionary Christ Church. Charlevoix. November 12, 1898.

Forsey, George, Rector St. Paul's Church, Muskegon, in charge of St. Luke's Mission. April 2, 1898.

Gairdner, Robert Hutchins Fortescue, Rector Grace Church, Grand Rapids February 21, 1890.

Hall, Frederick, Rector Trinity Church. Niles. March 2, 1898.

Hodge, Charles Russell, Assistant Minister of St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids. December 3, 1896.

*†Hughes, Henry. P. O.. Coldwater. September 6, 1886.

Law, Woodford Prentice, General Missionary, Grand Rapids. November 26, 1887.

*†Locke, Arthur Herbert, Grand Rapids, February 4, 1897.

Lucas. William, Rector Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan. June 4, 1895.

Mendenhall, Cyrus, Chaplain State House of Correction, Ionia, December 22, 1895.

McCormick, John Newton, B. A., Rector of St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids. February 19, 1898.

†Morris, Mosely. P. O., Kalamazoo. December 2, 1874.

*†Oppen, Carl Emil Ludwig George, P. O., Milwaukee. October 21, 1894.

Rippey, John Newton, M. D., Missionary St. John's Church, Mt. Pleasant. November 30, 1884.

Sowerby. Herbert, Rector St. Mark's Church, Coldwater. March 26, 1895.

*†Stearns, Chilton Rupert, P. O., Sheridan. September 17, 1898.

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Stout, Charles T., M. A., Rector Grace Church, Traverse City and Missionary Church of the Redeemer, East Jordan; St. Matthias, Central Lake, P. O., Traverse City. January 7, 1898.
Sword, John, Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Manistee. May 24, 1898.
†Taylor, Joash Rice, M. A., P. O., Saugatuck. February 20, 1885.
Thomas, William Howell, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Ionia, and in charge of Grace Mission, Lyons. May 5, 1893.
†Van Antwerp, William Henry, D. D., Rector and Missionary, Grace Church, Holland. October 15, 1889.
Vicborn, Herman Playford, Missionary St. Alban's Mission, Dowagiac; St. James' Mission, Cassopolis. December 7, 1896.
†Walton, Jeremiah Evarts, Rector Trinity Church, Marshall. January 1898.
*Wells, Albert Emery, P. O., Traverse City. April 3, 1888.
Westover, William, Rector and Missionary Grace Church, Ludington. May 22, 1894.
Wetherbee, Artemas, Missionary St. Stephen's Church, Schoolcraft and Trinity, Three Rivers, P. O. Vicksburg. November 5, 1896.
Wilkinson, James Edward, Ph. D., Chaplain Akeley Institute and in charge of St. John's Church, Grand Haven. April 17, 1888.
Woodruff, Montgomery Schuyler, B. A., Missionary Holy Trinity Church, Benton Harbor and St. Paul's Mission, St. Joseph, P. O., Benton Harbor. October 1, 1892.
*†Wright, William Edward, A. M., B. D., Rector St. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids. March 28, 1893.

DEACON.

Harrison, Norman, Missionary, St. James' Church, Sturgis. December 11 1898.

A LIST OF THE DELEGATES ELECTED TO THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

PARISHES.

Albion, St. James,' none reported.
Allegan, Good Shepherd, Charles R. Wilkes, Wm. B. Williams, Almeron A. Calkins. Alternates, Lyman A. Lilley, Charles H. Adams.
Battle Creek, St. Thomas', George Willard, A. T. Metcalf, M. D., F. C. Stillson. Alternates, C. F. Bock, A. D. Smith, W. D. Campbell.
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's, none reported.
Coldwater, St. Mark's, N. P. Loveridge, E. R. Root, Samuel Pollock. Alternates, H. C. Woodward, A. Milnes, Will King.
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's, Horatio B. Lewis, R. W. Bagot, Charles D. Towne.
Grand Haven, St. John's, Wm. F. Biggar, N. J. Beaudry, E. S. Bliss. Alternates, L. Gorham, Wm. Summers, R. M. Kedsie.
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's, Wm. R. Shelby, C. G. A. Voigt, F. A. Gorham. Alternates, W. H. Gilbert, F. Letellier, A. C. Torrey.
Grand Rapids, Grace, Jacob Kleinhans, E. C. Leavenworth, A B. Coffinberry. Alternates, Collins H. Johnston, M. D., W. H. Jones, Charles Seymour.
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's, none reported.
Grand Rapids, Trinity, none reported.
Hastings Emmanuel, M. W. Riker, D. G. Robinson, W. A. Hams.
Holland, Grace, Charles A. Stevenson, W. R. Stevenson, Joseph A. Price.
Homer, Christ, none reported.

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Ionia, St. John's, James Vosper, C. W. Parsons, E. R. Bailey. Alternate, H. E. Spencer.
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's, R. H. Buckhout, F. M. Clarke, E. S. Rankin. Alternates, J. D. Burns, H. H. Everard, F. H. Tyler, M. D.
Ludington, Grace, Fayette Johnson, Guy F. Sperry, S. C. Burland, M. D. Alternates, E. J. Brown, Thomas Hayley, Nels Thompson.
Manistee, Holy Trinity, J. L. Sweetnam, Ellsworth S. Ellis, M. D., J. M. Townsend. Alternates, James Terwilliger, Thomas Oglethorpe, John Seymour.
Marshall, Trinity, George Perrett, Louis A. Joy, M. D., Andrew Chrystal. Alternates, L. E. Gallup, W. E. Bosdey, W. H. Porter.
Mendon, St. Paul's, none reported.
Muskegon, St. Paul's, William Heap, James Gow, George S. Lovelace. Alternates, Thomas Hume, John J. Howden, L. B. Smith.
Niles, Trinity, Lewis H. Beeson, John H. Richardson, M. D., Charles A. Johnson.
Saugatuck, All Saints', none reported.
Traverse City, Grace, E. L. Sprague, Harry C. Davis, A. F. Cameron.
Union City, Grace, none reported.

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Baldwin, St. Matthew's, none reported.
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity, Alfred Coates.
Cassopolis, St. James', none reported.
Central Lake, St. Matthias', none reported.
Charlevoix, Christ, none reported.
Charlotte, Grace, none reported.
Dowagiac, St. Alban's, T. W. Cosgrove. Alternate, R. W. Sheldon.
East Jordan, Redeemer, none reported.
Grand Rapids, St. John's, none reported.
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's, none reported.
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's, none reported.
Greenville, St. Paul's, none reported.
Harbor Springs, none reported.
Hart, St. Andrew's, none reported.
Luther, Christ, none reported.
Lyons, Grace, none reported.
Mancelona, Nativity, none reported.
Muskegon, St. Luke's, none reported.
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's, Alfred L. Hutchinson.
Newaygo, St. Mark's, Stephen D. Thompson. Alternate, Elijah S. Bennett.
Paw Paw, St. Mark's, none reported.
Pentwater, St. James', C. D. Pool.
Petoskey, Emmanuel, H. O. Rose. Alternate, A. L. Henrika.
Quincy, St. John's, none reported.
Rockford, St. James', none reported.
South Haven, Epiphany, Herman Haupt.
Sturgis, St. James'. none reported.
St. Joseph, St. Paul's, Ed. S. Kelley. Alternate, John C. St. Clair.
Tustin, St. Johannes, none reported.
Three Rivers, Trinity, none reported.
Whitehall, Redeemer, none reported..

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A LIST OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

PARISHES.

Albion.....St. James'	Grand Rapids.....St. Paul's
Allegan.....Good Shepherd	Grand Rapids.....Grace
Battle Creek.....St. Thomas'	Grand Rapids.....Trinity
Big Rapids.....St. Andrew's	Hastings.....Emmanuel
Coldwater.....St. Mark's	Holland.....Grace
Elk Rapids.....St. Paul's	Homer.....Christ
Grand Haven.....St. John's	Ionia.....St. John's
Grand Rapids.....St. Mark's	Kalamazoo.....St. Luke's
Ludington.....Grace	Muskegon.....St. Paul's
Marshall.....Trinity	Niles.....Trinity
Manistee.....Holy Trinity	Saugatuck.....All Saints'
Mendon.....St. Paul's	Traverse City.....Grace
	Union City.....Grace

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Baldwin.....St. Matthew's	Lyons.....Grace
Benton Harbor.....Holy Trinity	Mancelona.....Nativity
Cassopolis.....St. James'	Muskegon.....St. Luke's
Central Lake.....St. Matthias'	Mt. Pleasant.....St. John's
Charlotte.....Grace	Newaygo.....St. Mark's
Charlevoix.....Christ	Pentwater.....St. James'
Coopersville.....Epiphany	Petoskey.....Emmanuel
Dowagiac.....St. Alban's	Paw Paw.....St. Mark's
East Jordan.....Redeemer	Quincy.....St. John's
Grand Rapids.....St. Beda's	Rockford.....St. James'
Grand Rapids.....St. John's	South Haven.....Epiphany
Grand Rapids....St. Matthew's	Sturgis.....St. James'
Greenville.....St. Paul's	St. Joseph.....St. Paul's
Harbor Springs.....St. John's	Three Rivers.....Trinity
Hart.....St. Andrew's	Tustin.....St. Johannes'
Luther.....Christ	Whitehall.....Redeemer

THE CONVOCATIONS.

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List of Parishes, and when admitted to the Convention, and of Missions and of their date of organization.

Kalamazoo Convocation—Population, 334,198.

PARISHES.

Albion, St. James'.....Admitted		1840
Allegan, *Good Shepherd.....	"	1860
Battle Creek, *†St. Thomas'.....	"	1842
Coldwater, †St. Mark's.....	"	1848
Hastings, †Emmanuel.....	"	1864
Homer, Christ.....	"	1841
Kalamazoo, *†St. Luke's.....	"	1838

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Marshall, *Trinity	Admitted	1836
Mendon, St. Paul's	"	1867
Niles, *Trinity	"	1834
Saugatuck, All Saints	"	1869
Union City, Grace	"	1865

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	Organized	1882
Cassopolis, ‡St. James'	"	1891
Charlotte, Grace	Reorganized	1888
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	Organized	1897
Quincy, St. John's	"	1882
South Haven, Epiphany	Reorganized	1898
Sturgis, ‡St. James'	Organized	1890
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	"	1891
Three Rivers, Trinity	"	1896
St. Joseph, ‡St. Paul's	"	1896

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Otsego, Schoolcraft, Portland.

SUSPENDED PARISHES.

Kalamazoo, St. John's	Date of Suspension	1884
St. Joseph, ¶Christ	"	1879
Burr Oak, Grace	"	1880
Paw Paw, ¶St. Mark's	"	1891
Three Rivers, ¶Trinity	"	1896

SUSPENDED MISSIONS.

Plainwell, Trinity	Date of Suspension	1883
Eaton Rapids, St. Matthias'	"	1891

¶Organized as Missions.

GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION—Population, 483,031.

PARISHES.

Big Rapids, *St. Andrew's	Admitted	1873
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	"	1871
Grand Haven, *†St. John's	"	1866
Grand Rapids, †St. Mark's	"	1836
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	"	1872
Grand Rapids, *Grace	"	1879
Grand Rapids, Trinity	"	1886
Holland, Grace	"	1868
Ionia, †St. John's	"	1841
Ludington, Grace	"	1883
Muskegon, *†St. Paul's	"	1867
Manistee, *Holy Trinity	"	1889
Traverse City, Grace	"	1877

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Baldwin, *St. Matthew's	Organized	1879
Coopersville, Epiphany	"	1877
Charlevoix, Christ	"	1887
Central Lake, St. Matthias'	"	1893
East Jordan, Redeemer	"	1887
Greenville, St. Paul's	"	1881
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	"	1893
Harbor Springs, St. John's	"	1883
Hart, St. Andrew's	"	1897
Luther, Christ	"	1896
Lyons, Grace	"	1898

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Mancelona, Nativity	Organized	1896
Mt. Pleasant, *St. John's	"	1886
Muskegon, St. Luke's	"	1890
Newaygo, St. Mark's	"	1876
North Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's	"	1892
Pentwater, *St. James'	"	1877
Petoskey; Emmanuel	"	1887
Rockford, St. James'	"	1887
South Grand Rapids, St. John's	"	1892
Tustin, St. Johannes'	"	....
Whitehall, Redeemer	"	1892

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Grand Ledge, Reed City, Sherman, Frankfort, Clare.

SUSPENDED PARISHES.

Courtland, St. Paul's	1877
Plainfield, Christ	1877
¶Greenville, St. Paul's	1879
¶Whitehall, Redeemer	1891

SUSPENDED MISSIONS.

Howard City	1884
Evart, St. Paul's	1891
Stanton, Grace	1892
Farwell, Trinity	1882
Hersey, Grace	1892

¶Organized as Missions.
*Has a Rectory. †Has both church and chapel. ‡Has a room.

TOTAL—Parishes, 25; organized Missions, 32; whole number of places where services are held, 66.

Table of population by counties and convocations, according to State Census of 1894.

KALAMAZOO CONVOCATION.

Allegan	39,189	Cass	21,176
Barry	23,699	Eaton	32,618
Berrien	45,685	Kalamazoo	42,056
Branch	26,207	St. Joseph	25,087
Calhoun	47,472	Van Buren	31,059

Total population ..... 334,198.
Increase since 1890 ..... 11,660.

GRAND RAPIDS CONVOCATION.

Antrim	12,427	Manistee	26,114
Benzie	8,063	Mason	18,422
Charlevoix	11,843	Mecosta	20,729
Clare	7,976	Missaukee	6,955
Emmet	10,382	Montcalm	34,158
Grand Traverse	17,515	Muskegon	37,324
Isabella	21,439	Oceana	16,599
Ionia	34,820	Newaygo	19,125
Kalkaska	5,640	Osceola	1,806
Kent	121,938	Ottawa	39,083
Lake	6,505	Wexford	11,278
Leelenaw	9,395		

Total ..... 483,031.
Increase since 1890 ..... 10,600.
Rate of Increase ..... 2½ per cent.
Rate of Increase of Communicants ..... 11 1-9 per cent.

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JOURNAL.

Grand Rapids, Mich., June 7, 1899.
GRACE CHURCH, 9 A. M.

The Twenty-fifth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan, met in Grace Church, Grand Rapids, at 9 o'clock a. m. The Clergy and Lay Delegates-elect assembled for Morning Prayer at half past eight o'clock, which was said by the Rev. Thomas Beeson and the Rev. Jean Weslau Armstrong. The Convention came to order at the call of the Bishop.

Silent Prayer was offered for the blessing of God upon the deliberations of the Convention.

The Secretary read Article III of the Constitution and Canon I, Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, pertaining to the organization and membership of the Convention.

The Roll of the Clergy was called from the canonical list furnished by the Bishop and the following were found to be present and answered to their names:

Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D.
The Rev. Jean Weslau Armstrong.
The Rev. Sidney Beckwith.
The Rev. Robert Roane Claiborne.
The Rev. Frederick Hall.
The Rev. Woodford P. Law.
The Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall.
The Rev. John N. McCormick, B. A.
The Rev. Charles T. Stout, M. A.
The Rev. William H. Thomas, D. D.
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.
The Rev. Montgomery S. Woodruff.
The Rev. Charles David Atwell.
The Rev. Joseph Webb Bancroft.
The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
The Rev. Charles Russell Hodge.
The Rev. William Lucas.
The Rev. John N. Rippey, M. D.
The Rev. Herbert Sowerby.
The Rev. John Sword.
The Rev. Herman P. Vicborn.
The Rev. Norman Harrison.

The List of Clergy not entitled to seats was called and the following answered to their names:

The Rev. Thomas Beeson.
The Rev. Albert Emory Wells, B. D.

The Roll of Parishes and Organized Missions was called and the Credentials of Lay Delegates-elect were presented.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Woodford P. Law and the Rev. William Westover a committee on Credentials.

Recess was taken.

The Convocations met.

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10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Holy Communion was Celebrated by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., the Rev. Henderson Judd and the Rector, the Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.

The Bishop read his address, (see appendix) after which the service of Holy Communion was proceeded with, the Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner acting as Celebrant.

The Convention came to order, the Bishop in the chair.

The Committee on Credentials.

REPORT.

The Committee on Credentials respectfully reports that it has examined and found correct the Credentials from the following Parishes and Missions:

Allegan, Good Shepherd—Charles R. Wilkes, William B. Williams, Almeron A. Calkins. Alternates—Lyman A. Lilley, Charles H. Adams.

Battle Creek, St. Thomas'—George Willard, A. T. Metcalf, M. D., F. C. Stillson. Alternates—C. F. Bock, A. D. Smith, W. D. Campbell.

Elk Rapids, St. Paul's—Horatio B. Lewis, R. W. Bagot, C. D. Towne.

Grand Haven, St. John's—Wm. F. Biggar, N. I. Beaudry, E. S. Bliss. Alternates—L. Gorham, Wm. Summers, R. M. Kedsie.

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's—Wm. R. Shelby, C. G. A. Voigt, F. A. Gorham. Alternates—W. H. Gilbert, A. C. Torrey, Francis Letellier.

Grand Rapids, Grace—Jacob Kleinhans, E. C. Leavenworth, A. B. Coffinberry. Alternates—Collins H. Johnston, M. D., W. H. Jones, Charles Seymour.

Ionia, St. John's—James Vosper, C. W. Parsons, Edward Bailey. Alternate—H. E. Spencer.

Kalamazoo, St. Luke's—R. H. Buckhout, E. S. Rankin, F. M. Clarke. Alternates—J. D. Burns, H. N. Everard, F. H. Tyler, M. D.

Ludington, Grace—Fayette Johnson, Guy F. Sperry, Samuel C. Burland, M. D. Alternates—E. J. Brown, Thomas Hayley, Nels Thompson.

Manistee, Holy Trinity—J. L. Sweetnam, Ellsworth S. Ellis, M. D., F. Martin Townsend. Alternates—James Terwilliger, Thomas Oglethorpe, John Seymour.

Marshall, Trinity—George Perrett, Louis S. Joy, Andrew Chrystal. Alternates—L. E. Gallup, Wm. E. Bosley, Wm. H. Porter.

Muskegon, St. Paul's—Wm. Heap, James Gow, George S. Lovelace. Alternates—Thomas Hume, John J. Howden, Leigh B. Smith.

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Mt. Pleasant, St. John's—Alfred L. Hutchinson.
Newaygo, St. Mark's—Stephen D. Thompson. Alternate—Elijah S. Bennett.

The Roll of Parishes and Organized Missions was called and the following Lay Delegates responded to their names:

Allegan, Good Shepherd—Charles R. Wilkes, Wm. B. Williams, Lyman A. Lilley.
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's—Horatio B. Lewis.
Grand Haven, St. John's—Wm. F. Biggar.
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's—C. G. A. Voigt, F. A. Gorham, A. C. Torrey.
Grand Rapids, Grace—Jacob Kleinhans, E. C. Leavenworth, A. B. Coffinberry.
Hastings, Emmanuel—M. W. Riker, D. G. Robinson, W. A. Hams.
Ionia, St. John's—James Vosper, C. W. Parsons, H. E. Spencer.
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's—R. W. Buckhout, F. M. Clarke.
Manistee, Holy Trinity—J. L. Sweetnam, Ellsworth Ellis, M. D.
Marshall, Trinity—Louis A. Joy.
Muskegon, St. Paul's—Wm. Heap, George D. Lovelace.
Dowagiac, St. Alban's—T. W. Cosgrove.

A constitutional number being present, the Bishop pronounced the Twenty-fifth Annual Convention duly opened, "In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

The first business in order being the election of Secretary the Convention proceeded to the election.

The ballot was, on motion, cast by the Rev. Dr. Wilkinson for the Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., who was declared elected.

The Secretary appointed the Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., Assistant Secretary, which was confirmed by the Convention.

The Committee on Credentials made the following supplementary report:

REPORT.

Your Committee would respectfully report that the certificate of Grace Church, Traverse City, is in proper form, except that it lacks the signature of the Secretary of the Vestry.

The following Parish and Mission have handed in proper credentials but are not entitled to seats, as they have not paid in full all assessments due the convention:

Coldwater, St. Mark's Church.
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity Mission.

WOODFORD P. LAW,
WILLIAM WESTOVER,
Committee.

On motion the certificate from Grace Church, Traverse City, was received, and the delegates entitled to seats.

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On motion the delegate from Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor, was admitted to a seat in the convention by a three-fourths vote. The name of the delegate was called, and Mr. Albert Coates answered to his name.

On motion of the Secretary, the following gentlemen, not entitled, were admitted to seats in the convention.

The Rev. Albert E. Wells.	The Rev. Henderson Judd.
The Rev. Thomas Beeson.	The Rev. Arthur Beaumont.

On motion of the Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne, the Rules of Order of the last convention were made the Rules of Order of this convention.

Rules of Order.

OF THE OPENING OF THE CONVENTION AND THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. Each session of the Convention shall be opened with prayer; the morning session with the Daily Morning Prayer. On the first day the Order of Business shall be as follows: Provided, that when the first session of the Convention is an evening session, this order may be proceeded with as far as judged convenient, and resumed the next morning.

1st. The President having taken the chair, the Convention shall be called to order, and the Secretary of the preceding Convention (or, in his absence, the Secretary *pro tempore*, to be elected *viva voce*) shall call out the names of clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter into the JOURNAL the names of those who are present.

2d. The names of the Parishes and Missions entitled to representation shall be called, and the Lay delegates from each shall present their certificates of election, which shall be referred to a committee of two clergymen to report thereon.

3d. On the acceptance of their report, the roll of the Lay delegates elected shall be called, and the President shall declare the Convention organized.

4th. Irregular and defective certificates shall be reported to the Convention, which shall decide on the admission of the delegates therein named.

5th. A Secretary shall be elected by ballot, who may appoint an assistant, subject to the approval of the Convention.

6th. If the Treasurer of the Convention be absent, a Treasurer *pro tempore* shall be elected *viva voce*.

7th. The President shall appoint the following Standing Committees:

On Admission of Parishes and Missions into Union with the Convention—consisting of two clergymen and one layman.

On the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen—consisting of three laymen.

On the Report of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan—consisting of two clergymen and three laymen.

On the Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions—consisting of two clergymen and three laymen.

On Unfinished Business—consisting of one clergyman and two laymen.

On Christian Education and Akeley Institute—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

On Canons—consisting of two clergymen and two laymen.

On Church Literature—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

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On State of the Church—consisting of three clergymen and two laymen.

8th. The reports of the Standing Committees, the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, shall then be presented and referred to the appropriate committees.

9th. The Bishop's address shall then be in order.

10th. The report of the Standing Committee on unfinished business shall then be presented.

11th. The Parochial reports shall be presented to the Bishop when he sees fit to call for them.

12th. Miscellaneous business.

13th. Wednesday evening of the Convention shall be devoted to a general missionary meeting for reading the report of the Board of Missions, delivering addresses and to transact any other business which may promote missionary zeal and work in the Diocese.

SECTION 2. On the second and each subsequent day the Order of Business shall be as follows:

1st. The roll of the clergy and lay delegates called.
2d. Reading the minutes of the previous day.
3d. Elections.
4th. Reports of the Standing Committees in their order in Rule 7th.
5th. Reports of Special Committees.
6th. Miscellaneous business.

SECTION 3. On the first morning of the Convention, immediately before the mid-day recess, shall be made nominations for Treasurer of the Convention, Registrar of the Diocese, Standing Committee, Board of Missions, Members of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, other than the *ex-officio* members of such Association, not exceeding ten in number, and the number to be fixed by resolution before the nominations are made, and in that year in which a General Convention is to be held, Deputies to the General Convention and Members of the Missionary Council.

Nominations for Supplemental Deputies to the General Convention shall not be made until after the deputies have been elected. When nominations are made for any office, the names shall be recorded in the order in which they are presented.

The Secretary shall cause all names proposed for any office to be printed on separate tickets, and the voting shall be by erasing the names of those for whom the members do not wish to vote. Separate ballots shall be taken for each office, and the election shall be the order of the day from 4 o'clock of that afternoon.

SECTION 4. In case the Bishop shall withdraw from the sittings of the Convention, he shall appoint a Presbyter to preside during his absence.

2d. Before the final adjournment of the Convention, the minutes of the session about to close shall be read and corrected, and signed by the President, and attested by the Secretary.

3d. No resolution shall be entertained until it shall have been reduced to writing; and no motion shall be considered as before the Convention until it is seconded, and when seconded it shall be stated by the President.

4th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received unless to lay it on the table, to postpone to a certain time, to postpone indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. A motion to adjourn and a motion to lay on the table shall be always in order, and shall be decided without debate.

5th. A question being decided, it shall not be reconsidered at the same annual session without the consent of two-thirds of the members

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present; nor without a motion being made by one of the majority on the prior decision.

6th. Every member present when a motion is put shall vote thereon, unless excused by the Convention.

7th. On the requisition of any two members, the yeas and nays shall be called and entered on the JOURNAL. (Concerning the vote by orders, see Constitution, Article VIII.)

8th. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention; and when he may deem it advisable, he may appoint, on a committee to report to the next Convention, a person qualified to be a delegate who is not a member of the Convention.

9th. When a member desires to speak, he shall arise and address the President in an audible voice. If more than one member arises, the President shall determine the preference.

10th. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without leave of the Convention.

11th. No member shall withdraw from the Convention without leave asked and voted.

Nominations were made.

The following is the list of nominations:

TREASURER.

Mr. Ethan T. Montgomery.

REGISTRAR.

The Rev. Albert E. Wells.

STANDING COMMITTEE—CLERICAL.

The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne.
The Rev. Lewis Brown.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.
The Rev. J. N. McCormick.
The Rev. Wm. H. VanAntwerp.
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D.D.
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson.
The Rev. Joseph W. Bancroft.

LAY.

Mr. J. Davidson Burns.
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans.
Mr. Charles R. Wilkes.
Mr. James Vosper.
Mr. F. A. Gorham.
Mr. Wm. R. Stuart.

BOARD OF MISSIONS—CLERICAL.

The Rev. William Lucas.
The Rev. John N. McCormick.
The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne.
The Rev. George Forsey.
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner.

LAY.

Mr. A. C. Torrey.
Mr. A. J. Mills.
Mr. Harry C. Davis.
Mr. C. W. Parsons.
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart.
Mr. Horatio B. Lewis.
Mr. E. C. Leavenworth.
Mr. D. G. Robinson.
Mr. Charles R. Wilkes.

MEMBERS OF THE MISSIONARY COUNCIL—CLERICAL.

The Rev. William Lucas.

LAY.

Mr. A. C. Torrey.

Recess was taken to 1:30 p. m.

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WEDNESDAY, 1:30 P. M.

The Litany was said by the Rev. C. D. Atwell.

The Convention came to order at the call of the Bishop. The Bishop in the chair.

The Bishop read his report of official acts. (See appendix.)

Parochial Reports were called for and presented.

The Bishop presented a document from the Secretary of the General Convention, being the constitutional notice of the proposed constitution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following resolutions pertaining to the Bishop's address were presented and adopted:

RESOLUTIONS OF REFERENCES TO THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the observance of the "Lord's Day," be referred to a Committee of two Clergymen and two Laymen.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the "Diocesan Paper," be referred to a Committee of one Clergyman and two Laymen.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the "Celebration of the end of the Quarter Century by extinguishing the indebtedness of Parishes," be referred to a Committee of three Laymen.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to "Diocesan Missions," be referred to the Committee on the Report and Accounts of the Board of Missions.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to "Akeley Institute," be referred to the Committee on Christian Education and Akeley Institute.

The report of the Standing Committee:

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western Michigan for 1898-9 request leave to report to the Twenty-fifth Diocesan Convention, that said Committee, organized June 2nd, 1898, by the election of the Rev. R. R. Claiborne, President, and the Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, Secretary.

The Committee have held four meetings. They have made the usual appropriations for Aged and Disabled Clergy and widows of deceased Clergymen.

They have considered and approved the testimonials of Mr. Norman Harrison, candidate for Deacon's orders, and of Rev. Chilton Rupert Stearns for the Priesthood. They have given consent to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor for the Diocese of Western Virginia; also to the consecration of the Rev. Theo. Nevin Morrison, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Iowa.

The Committee asks the passage of the following:

Resolved, That the Diocesan Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the travelling expenses of the members of the Standing Committee who attend its duly convened meetings for the year ending May 31, 1900.

Signed,

WM. H. VAN ANTWERP, Sec'y.

Which was accepted and the resolution appended was adopted.

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On motion the Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was deferred to the evening session.

The Treasurer of the Convention, Mr. E. T. Montgomery, presented and read his report.

To the Diocese of Western Michigan:

I respectfully submit the following report of receipts and disbursements, during the year from June 1st, 1898, to June 6th, 1899, in the several funds in my hands.

OBJECTS OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

SOCIETY FOR CONVERSION OF THE JEWS.

St. Mark's, Coldwater, Good Friday offering	$2 50
St. Paul's, Muskegon, Good Friday offering	2 55
Remitted to W. G. Davis, Treasurer, New York	$5 05

FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY.

1898		
June 1,	Balance on hand, as per last report	$342 86
Dec. 19,	Mrs. E. H. Clark, St. Joseph, Mo.	1 00
27,	W. J. Dibble, Treasurer Trinity Church, Marshall	16 98
	W. J. Dibble, Treasurer Trinity Sunday School	3 35
28,	Wm. Weston, Treasurer Grace Church, Ludington	1 13
	Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, St. John's, Grand Haven	10 05
	W. R. Stevenson, Treasurer, Holland, Grace	8 14
29,	C. F. Stearns, Clerk St. Andrew's, Big Rapids	2 51
	J. A. Richardson, Treasurer Trinity, Niles	14 32
30,	J. D. Burns, Treasurer St. Luke's, Kalamazoo	40 80
	Mrs. C. A. Van Deusen	100 00
1899		
Jan. 4,	Rev. L. Brown, St. Thomas', Battle Creek	14 79
	H. D. Williams, Treasurer Emmanuel, Petoskey	2 00
	M. S. Woodruff, Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor	2 20
6,	T. S. Clark, Treasurer St. Paul's, St. Joseph	1 12
7,	C. W. Parsons, Treasurer St. John's, Ionia	3 43
9,	Rev. H. Sowerby, St. Mark's, Coldwater	9 43
10,	W. J. Stuart. Treasurer St. Mark's, Grand Rapids	40 00
	W. B. Webbie, Treasurer, St. Paul's, Mendon	55
14,	Rev. W. P. Law, St. James', Pentwater	2 25
18,	Rev. C. T. Stout, Grace, Traverse City	2 92
Feb. 2,	Rev. Wm. Lucas, Good Shepherd, Allegan.	9 30
14,	Mrs. P. Gardiner, Treasurer St. John's, Mt. Pleasant	4 00
15,	Thos. Hume, Treasurer, St. Paul's, Muskegon	14 71
Mar. 8,	A. B. Taylor, Treasurer All Saint's, Saugatuck	1 40

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21,	Julia P. Van Ness, Treasurer St. James', Sturgis	$ 0 60	
23,	Miss Minnie Monroe, Treasurer St. Stephen's. Schoolcraft	1 25	
25,	C. D. Towne, Treasurer St. Paul's, Elk Rapids	7 68	
May 1,	E. S. Ellis, M D., Treasurer Holy Trinity, Manistee	5 00	
June 5,	F. A. Gorham, interest on investments	151 72	
	Total received		$815 49

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid stipends as per vouchers Nos. 1 to 9, inclusive	$300 00	
Paid Postage, Exchange	1 06	
Balance on hand to new account	514 43	
		$815 49

PARISHES AND MISSIONS THAT HAVE NOT CONTRIBUTED TO THIS FUND.

Albion, St. James'.
Grand Rapids, Grace.
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's.
Grand Rapids, Trinity.
Hastings, Emmanuel.
Homer, Christ.
Union City, Grace.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's.
Cassopolis, St. James'.
Central Lake, St. Matthias'.
Charlevoix, Christ's.
Charlotte, Grace.
Coopersville, Epiphany.
Dowagiac, St. Alban's.
East Jordan, Redeemer.
Grand Rapids, St. John's.
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's.
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's.
Greenville, St. Paul's.
Harbor Springs, St. John's.
Hart, St. Andrew's.
Luther, Christ.
Lyons, Grace.
Mancelona, Nativity.
Muskegon, St. Luke's.
Newaygo, St. Mark's.
Paw Paw, St. Mark's.
Quincy, St. John's.
Tustin, St. John's.
Rockford, St. James'.
Three Rivers, Trinity.
Whitehall, Redeemer.

E. T. MONTGOMERY, Treasurer,
In account with the Diocese of Western Michigan, Dr.

FOR COLLECTION ON ASSESSMENTS.

1898.		Prior to 1898.	1898-9.	Total.
June 1,	Balance on hand as per last report,			$221 59
3,	St. Andrew's, Big Rapids	$15 06	$.....	$15 06
1899.				
June 6,	St. James', Albion, in part	18 83	01	18 84
	Good Shepherd, Allegan, in full	.....	66 52	66 52
	St. Thomas', Battle Creek, in full	.....	191 97	191 97
	Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor, part	.....	10 00	10 00
	St. Andrew's, Big Rapids, in full	20 35	32 50	52 85
	St. Paul's, Elk Rapids, in full	.....	7 67	7 67
	St. John's, Grand Haven, in full	.....	54 27	54 27
	St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, in full	.....	309 43	309 43
	Grace, Grand Rapids, in full	.....	127 12	127 12
	Emmanuel, Hastings, in full	.....	76 08	76 08
	Grace, Holland, in full	.....	37 24	37 24
	St. John's, Ionia, in full	.....	105 63	105 63
	St. Luke's, Kalamazoo, in full	.....	251 48	251 48
	Grace, Ludington, in full	.....	8 40	8 40
	Holy Trinity, Manistee, in full	28 88	60 69	89 57

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	Prior to 1898.	1898-99.	Total.
Trinity, Marshall, in full	.....	$85 22	$85 22
St. Paul's, Mendon, in part	.....	9 15	9 15
St. Paul's, Muskegon, in full	.....	92 61	92 61
Trinity, Niles, in full	.....	60 13	60 13
All Saints', Saugatuck, in full	.....	3 60	3 60
Grace, Traverse City, in full	.....	20 72	20 72
St. James', Cassopolis, in full	.....	4 79	4 79
St. Matthias', Central Lake, in full	.....	1 56	1 56
Grace, Charlotte, in full	1 50	5 28	6 78
Redeemer, East Jordan	.....	74	74
St. John's, Grand Rapids, in part	4 60	2 33	6 93
St. Paul's, Greenville, in full	4 50	20 18	24 68
St. John's, Harbor Springs, in full	.....	4 97	4 97
Grace, Lyons, in full	.....	1 08	1 08
St. John's, Mt. Pleasant, in full	5 00	18 98	23 98
St. Mark's, Newaygo, in full	5 02	4 08	9 10
St. James', Pentwater, in full	.....	4 33	4 33
St. James', Sturgis, in part	.....	13 20	13 20
Trinity, Three Rivers, in part	2 76	.....	2 76
St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft, in full	.....	6 75	6 75
Total received	$106 50	$1,698 71	$2,026 80

DISBURSEMENTS.

1898.		
June 1,	Paid to N. Harrison, Bishop's order.....Voucher No. 1	$ 1 40
	Rev. J. W. Bancroft, attendance Standing Committee.....Voucher No. 2	1 25
	Rev. J. N. Rippey, expense bill..Voucher No. 3	10 72
	Rev. J. N. Rippey, half salary for year .....Voucher No. 4	50 00
21,	Seymour & Muir Printing Co., letter circulars.....Voucher No. 5	2 00
30,	Sentinel Printing Co., ballots ...Voucher No. 6	1 50
July 13,	Rev. J. N. McCormick, attendance Standing Committee.....Voucher No. 7	2 65
14,	Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., attendance Standing Committee .....Voucher No. 9	2 85
	Rev. L. Brown, attendance Standing Committee .....Voucher No. 10	70
23,	Guarantee Co. Bond Treasurer.Voucher No. 11	5 00
Sept. 12,	Per Capita General Convention.Voucher No. 12	99 00
19,	Powers-Tyson Printing Co., postage, etc.....	1 00
	Powers-Tyson Printing Co., wrappers.....Voucher No. 13	2 00
	Powers-Tyson Printing Co., printing Journal..Voucher No. 14	218 24
	Rev. J. N. Rippey, expense bill, Voucher No. 15	13 55
26,	Rev. L. Brown, attendance Standing Committee .....Voucher No. 16	2 50
	Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., attendance Standing Committee.....Voucher No. 17	90
	Rev. R. R. Claiborne, attendance Standing Commmittee.....Voucher No. 18	1 50
Nov. 10,	Rev. R. R. Claiborne, attendance Standing Committee.....Voucher No. 19	2 00
	Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, attendance Standing Committee.....Voucher No. 20	1 00
Dec. 16,	Rev. J. N. Rippey, balance salary.....Voucher No. 24	50 00

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1899		
Jan. 10,	W. J. Stuart, Esq., attendance Standing Committee ..... Voucher No. 25	$1 92
21,	Rev. L. Brown, attendance Standing Committee ..... Voucher No. 26	2 75
	Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, attendance Standing Committee ..... Voucher No. 27	1 00
Mar. 24,	Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, on account expense to General Convention..... Voucher No. 28	20 00
Apr. 15,	Rev. A. E. Wells, Registrar.... Voucher No. 31	25 00
May 3,	Rev. J. N. Rippey, printing bills, Voucher No. 32	4 46
	Dana & Steketee, printing..... Voucher No. 34	8 50
11,	Rt. Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D., attendance General Convention..... Voucher No. 35	20 00
	Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., attendance General Convention..... Voucher No. 36	20 00
	Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., attendance General Convention..... Voucher No. 38	20 00
	Rev. L. Brown, B. D., attendance General Convention..... Voucher No. 37	20 00
June 1,	F. A. Gorham, Treasurer Association..... ..... Vouchers No. 23, 9, 30, 3, 9, and 40	1,400 00
	Expense Postage, Exchange, etc., Treasurer..	9 34
	Balance to new account	4 07
	Total.....	$2,026 80

PARISHES IN ARREARS ON ASSESSMENTS.

	Prior to 1898.	1898-9.	Total.
St. James', Albion.....	$.....\.	$ 36 41	$ 36 41
St. Mark's, Coldwater.....	.....	80 39	80 39
St. Paul's, Grand Rapids	50 95	63 51	114 46
Trinity, Grand Rapids	57 50	41 74	99 24
Christ, Homer...	.....	1 89	1 89
St. Paul's, Mendon	.....	3 05	3 05
Grace, Union City	10 03	45	10 48
St. Matthew's, Baldwin..... ...	.....	5 50	5 50
Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor	.....	11 31	11 31
St. John's, Grand Rapids	.....	77	77
Nativity, Mancelona	.....	1 32	1 32
St. Luke's, Muskegon	.....	3 20	3 20
St. Mark's, Paw Paw.....	3 10	3 18	6 28
Emmanuel, Petoskey	29 50	50 83	80 33
St. John's, Quincey.....	94	.....	94
St. James', Sturgis.....	.....	4 41	4 41
St. Paul's, St. Joseph	2 32	11 56	13 88
Trinity, Three Rivers.....	.....	5 30	5 30
Totals.....	$154 34	$324 82	$479 16

The report was received and referred to the Committee on Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention.

The Chair appointed the following standing committees:

ON ADMISSION OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Clerical—Herbert Sowerby, H. P. Vicborn. Lay—Lyman Lilley, H. E. Spencer.

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ON ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION AND OF THE FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.

Lay—C. R. Wilkes, Wm. F. Biggar, J. L. Sweetnam.

ON THE REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

Clerical—J. N. McCormick, John Sword. Lay—Ellsworth S. Ellis, M. D., Louis A. Joy, William Heap.

ON THE REPORT AND ACCOUNTS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Clerical—Wm. H. Thomas, D. D., J. W. Armstrong. Lay—George D. Lovelace, F. W. Cosgrove, C. D. Pool.

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Clerical—R. H. F. Gairdner.

ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Clerical—Charles R. Hodge, James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., George Forsey. Lay—L. H. Beeson, James Vosper.

ON CANONS.

Clerical—Lewis Brown, William Lucas. Lay—Wm. B. Williams, H. B. Lewis, C. G. A. Voigt.

ON CHURCH LITERATURE.

Clerical—Thomas H. Cuthbert, Sidney Beckwith, Frederick Hall.

ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Clerical—Robt. R. Claiborne, M. S. Woodruff, Charles T. Stout. Lay—F. A. Gorham, C. W. Parsons.

The Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese, Mr. F. A. Gorham, presented and read his report for the Conventional year.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., June 7, 1899.

To the Convention:

In compliance with the requirements of Section 4, Canon IX, the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan respectfully presents the report of its Treasurer, as showing the financial transactions of the past year, and the present condition of the various funds in its charge.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

To the Trustees of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

Gentlemen—The following report of the various funds in my hands is respectfully submitted in compliance with the requirements of the By-Laws of the Association.

EPISCOPAL FUND.

Amount at last report was	$ 35,581	62
Received from Christ Church, Charlevoix	5	46
Total fund		$35,587 08

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Composed as follows:

Episcopal residence	$ 11,000 00		
Loans secured by mortgages	18,800 55		
Real estate in G'd Rapids, Stormzand	2,901 85		
Real estate in G'd Rapids, Hayes	617 85		
Real estate in Big Rapids, acquired through foreclosure of Rogers mortgage	285 00		
Cash for investment	1,981 83		
			$35,587 08

The cash receipts and disbursements were as follows:

1898 RECEIPTS.

May 31,	Cash on hand	$ 1,376 37	
Sept. 19,	From Christ Church, Charlevoix	5 46	
Nov. 18,	On principal of Camburn mortgage	500 00	
1899			
April 21,	Balance of principal Peterson mortgage	100 00	
			$1,981 83

DISBURSEMENTS.

	None.		
	Cash on hand		$1,981 83

The income account was as follows:

1898 INCOME.

May 31,	Cash on hand	$ 11 39	
1899			
June 3,	Interest on loans	1,085 67	
	Interest on deposits	45 00	
	Rents	664 72	
	E. T. Montgomery, Treasurer, for assessments	1,400 00	
	City and highway taxes for 1897 on Episcopal residence refunded, $64.58, less amount retained by Stuart and Barker for services, $20.00	44 58	
			$3,251 36

1898 EXPENSES.

June 1,	Repairs to Stormzand house, Voucher No. 1	$ 5 19	
3,	Recording deed from Auditor General, Voucher No. 2	55	
24,	Premium on insurance on Hayes house, Voucher No. 3	3 85	
27,	Tax history brought down on Hayes property, Voucher No. 4	25	
	Abstract of Title of Hayes property, Voucher No. 5	1 50	
July 6,	Various repairs to Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 6	9 34	
	Papering and painting rooms in Episcopal residence. Voucher No. 7	52 57	
July 19,	Taxes on Rogers property in Big Rapids, For 1895 Voucher No. 8, $14 22		
	For 1896 Voucher No. 9, 11 92		
	For 1897 Voucher No. 10, 10 58		
	Fee for tax statement, " No. 11, 50	37 22	
July 25,	City and highway taxes for 1898, Stormzand property, Voucher No. 12	13 10	
	City and highway taxes for 1898, Hayes property, Voucher No. 13	3 68	

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Aug. 22,	Repairs to Stormzand property, Voucher No. 14	$ 2 71	
Oct. 28,	State, County and School Taxes, 1896, Hayes property, Voucher No. 15	4 13	
Nov. 29,	Repairs to Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 16	2 50	
Dec. 12,	Repairs to Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 17	4 53	
1899			
Jan. 12,	Proportion of premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 18	16 85	
Feb. 15,	Repairing hot water heater, Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 19	4 75	
Jan. 7,	State, County and School Taxes for 1898, on Stormzand property, Voucher No. 20,	14 57	
	Same on Hayes property, Voucher No. 21,	3 64	
Mar. 1,	Stuart and Barker's bill for services and expenses foreclosing H. L. Birdsall mortgage on property at Mancelona, Voucher No. 22	56 25	
Mar. 9,	Taxes for 1898 on Rogers property in Big Rapids, Voucher No. 23	10 84	
May 16,	Sidewalk at Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 24	5 00	
June 2,	Putting in new water service connections and disconnecting old connections at Episcopal residence, Voucher No. 25	51 53	
	Printing letter heads and interest receipts, Voucher No. 26	2 50	
June 5,	George D. Gillespie, for salary, viz.:		
	Balance due on last year's account, Voucher No. 27 $400 00		
	On current year's account, Vouchers No. 28 to 35 $2,525 00		
		$2,925 00	
	Cash on hand	19 31	
			$3,251 36

It will be noticed that the taxes for 1897, paid on the Episcopal residence and included in last year's accounts, have been partly repaid. It is expected that the balance will also be refunded. The property has been taken from the rolls and will not again be assessed for general taxes.

The income for 1899–1900 is estimated at $1,800 00
The amounts to be paid will be:

Balance due on Bishop's salary for last year	$ 425 00	
Salary for current year	3,000 00	
	$3,425 00	
Balance to be raised by assessment	1,625 00	

Unpaid interest is due on mortgages belonging to this fund as follows:

Isadore M. White	good	$ 63 00
John Schoffin	bad	800 00
G. F. Cole	good	120 00
H. L. Birdsall	bad	50 00
Asa F. Beal	doubtful	80 00
L. K. Austin	doubtful	54 00

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PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

Amount of this fund last reported was	$7,051 84	
Added during year, from St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, Easter offering	50 00	
Total fund		$7,101 84
Composed as follows:		
Mortgage loans	$3,475 00	
Real Estate, Goossen	467 48	
Cash for investment	3,159 36	
		$7,101 84

The receipts and disbursements have been as follows:

1898 RECEIPTS.

May 31, Cash on hand	$3,059 36	
June 14, Payment on principal Myers mortgage	50 00	
1899		
April 6, St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo	50 00	
June 5, Interest on loans	282 87	
Interest on deposits	90 00	
House rent	40 00	
		$3,572 23

1898 DISBURSEMENTS.

July 25, City and highway taxes for 1898, on Goossen property, Voucher No. 36	$ 2 94	
Sept. 20, Shingling roof Goossen house, Voucher No. 37	43 55	
1899		
Jan. 12, Proportion of premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 18	4 80	
Jan. 7, State, County and School Taxes for 1898, on Goossen property, Voucher No. 38	2 91	
Feb. 21, Premium on insurance Goossen property, Voucher No. 39	2 60	
May 10, State, County and School taxes for 1896, on property covered by Bruist mortgage, bought in at tax sale, Voucher No. 40	7 12	
May 31, Remitted D. G. Robinson, Treas'r Board of Missions, Voucher No. 41	356 07	
June 5, Cash on hand	3,152 24	
		$3,572 23

Unpaid interest is due on mortgages belonging to this fund as follows:

J. H. Bruist	good	$127 15
Russell Slade	probably good	122 00
A. Leaderson	doubtful	70 00
Rufus Hall	doubtful	42 00

AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

This fund remains as last reported		$5,328 54
Composed as follows:		
Mortgage loans	$4,410 00	
Real estate in Kalamazoo, acquired through settlement of Julius S. Ward mortgage	576 00	
Cash on hand for investment	342 54	
		$5,328 54

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1898 RECEIPTS.

May 31,	Cash on hand	$ 322 54	
1899			
June 5,	Received from interest on loans	191 50	
			$ 514 04

1898 DISBURSEMENTS.

Aug. 2,	Bringing down abstract of title on land in Kalkaska county, covered by Pollock loans, Voucher No. 42	$ 1 00	
1899			
Jan. 12,	Proportion of premium on Treasurer's bond, Voucher No. 18	3 35	
June 2,	Paid taxes and expenses on property in Kalamazoo, covered by Julius S. Ward mortgage, viz.:		
	Taxes of 1894, 1895, '96, '97, and '98, $13.68		
	Search of Title .50		
	Revenue stamps on deed .50		
	Recording Ward's deed .75		
	Voucher No. 43	15 43	
June 5,	Remitted E. T. Montgomery, Treasurer, Voucher No. 44	151 72	
	Cash on hand	342 54	
			$ 514 04

Unpaid interest is due on mortgages belonging to this fund as follows:

J. Clark Sproat	good	$ 70 00
C. E. Stone	good	70 00
Russell Slade	probably good	122 00

SUNDRY TRUST FUNDS.

1898 RECEIPTS.

May 31,	Cash on hand	$ 780 46	
June 1,	Interest on various funds at Savings Bank	2 44	
	Collection at morning service, 24th Annual Convention at Battle Creek for Diocesan Library Building Fund	6 22	
June 8,	Interest on $1,000 loan to Akeley Institute	20 00	
Aug. 11,	Balance due on loan to St. James' Mission, Pentwater, principal	79 00	
	Interest	2 77	
Aug. 24,	From Bishop Gillespie, being offerings at services held at Paw Paw Lake by Rev. D. W. Dresser of Illinois	6 10	
Sept. 19,	Payment on principal of loan to East Jordan	3 00	
	Interest on same loan	8 85	
Sept. 28,	From Bishop Gillespie, to apply on insurance at Harbor Springs	15 00	
Dec. 5,	From C. D. Towne, Treasurer for Elk Rapids Endowment Fund	4 00	
Dec. 7,	Interest on various funds at Savings Bank	5 23	
Dec. 19,	From D. G. Robinson, Treasurer, to apply on interest on $500 loan to Akeley Institute	25 00	

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1899			
Jan. 14,	From Father C. J. Kennedy, Hastings, balance due on purchase of property at Eaton Rapids	$ 385 05	
			$1,343 12
1898	DISBURSEMENTS.		
June 21,	Balance of Lyons fund remitted to S. N. Webber, Jr., Treasurer, Grace Mission, Voucher No. 45	$ 164 30	
Oct. 14,	Premium on insurance at Mendon, Voucher No. 46	9 75	
	Premium on insurance at Harbor Springs, Voucher No. 47	35 00	
1899			
Feb. 17,	Premium on insurance at Mancelona, Voucher No. 48	8 00	
	Premium on insurance at Luther, Voucher No. 49	7 50	
24,	Taxes for 1896 on lots at Evart, Voucher No. 50	15 04	
Mar. 1,	Premium on insurance at Central Lake, Voucher No. 51	6 75	
June 5,	Cash on hand	1,096 78	
			$1,343 12

SUMMARY OF SUNDRY TRUST FUNDS.

Rectory Building Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$1,400 00	
Received for interest on loans	36 62	
	$1,436 62	
Less error in crediting remittance from Pentwater, August 7, 1897	10 73	
		$1,425 89
Sturgis Fund—		
Amount as per last report	$ 68 78	
Interest	1 43	
		$ 70 21
Lyons—		
Amount per last report	$ 161 20	
Interest	3 10	
		$ 164 30
Remitted to S. N. Webber, Jr., Treasurer		164 30
Decatur Fund—		
Amount per last report	152 38	
Interest	3 20	
		$ 155 58
Eaton Rapids Fund—		
Amount per last report	$ 682 08	
Interest	13 28	
Balance due on sale of property	385 05	
		$1,080 41
Baldwin Fund—		
Amount per last report	$ 64 37	
Interest	2 18	
		$ 66 55
Stanton Fund—		
Amount per last report	$ 48 75	
Interest	1 09	
		$ 49 84

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Bush Memorial Fund—			
Amount per last report	$ 23 97		
Interest	93		
			$ 24 90
Elk Rapids Endowment Fund—			
Amount per last report	$ 13 71		
From C. D. Towne, Treasurer	4 00		
Interest	52		
			$ 18 23
Mendon Endowment Fund—			
Amount per last report	$ 8 94		
Interest	34		
			$ 9 28
Paw Paw Lake Resort Chapel Fund—			
Amount per last report	$ 5 22		
From Bishop Gillespie	6 10		
Interest	20		
			$ 11 52
Evart Fund—			
Overdraft per last report	$ 12 63		
Paid taxes for 1896	15 04		
Total overdraft			$ 27 67
Diocesan Library Building Fund—			
Amount per last report	$ 35 02		
Offerings at Convention, 1898	6 22		
Interest	1 40		
			$ 42 64
Insurance and Tax Fund—			
Amount per last report	$ 87 25		
From Bishop Gillespie for Harbor Springs	15 00		
			$ 102 25
Paid insurance at Mendon	$ 9 75		
Paid insurance at Harbor Springs	35 00		
Paid insurance at Mancelona	8 00		
Paid insurance at Luther	7 50		
Paid insurance at Central Lake	6 75		
		$ 67 00	
			$ 35 25
Net amount of Special Funds			$ 2,962 63
Composed as follows—			
Loan to Akeley Institute on account of			
Sturgis Fund	$ 35 00		
Decatur Fund	75 00		
Eaton Rapids Fund	635 00		
Baldwin Fund	60 00		
Stanton Fund	40 00		
Rectory Building Fund	155 00		
		$1,000 00	
Loans on account of Rectory Building Fund,			
To Akeley Institute	$ 500 00		
To Mission of Redeemer, East Jordan	90 85		
To St. Paul's, Mendon	275 00		
		$ 865 85	
Cash on hand for account of			
Rectory Building Fund	$ 405 04		
Sturgis Fund	35 21		
Decatur Fund	80 58		
Diocesan Library Building Fund	42 64		

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Baldwin Fund	$ 6 55		
Insurance and Tax Fund	35 25		
Stanton Fund	9 84		
Bush Memorial Fund	24 90		
Elk Rapids Fund	18 23		
Eaton Rapids Fund	445 41		
Mendon Fund	9 28		
Paw Paw Lake Resort Chapel Fund	11 52		
	$1,124 45		
Less overdraft Evart Fund	27 67		
		$1,096 78	$2,962 63

DETAILED LIST OF SECURITIES HELD BY THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

FOR EPISCOPAL FUND.

Chas. L. Moran	Mortgage,	6	per cent.	$ 5,212 55	
Adeline M. Johnson (formerly Chas. L. Yale)	Mortgage,	6	per cent.	3,000 00	
Isadore N. White	"	7	"	1,800 00	
E. F. Harrington (formerly Jno. M. Richens)	Mortgage,	6	per cent.	1,800 00	
T. C. Langley, et al. (formerly Ellen E. Camburn)	Mortgage,	6	per cent.	1,000 00	
F. H. Gill	"	7	"	1,200 00	
F. H. Gill	"	7	"	200 00	
John Schoffin	"	7	"	1,000 00	
Herbert Baker	"	7	"	750 00	
James A. Rooney	"	7	"	600 00	
Geo. G. Van Houtum	"	7	"	600 00	
G. F. Cole	"	7	"	600 00	
Joseph J. Adams	"	7	"	328 00	
H. L. Birdsall	"	8	"	300 00	
Asa F. Beal	"	8	"	250 00	
L. K. Austin	"	10	"	160 00	
Total mortgages					$18,800 55

REAL ESTATE.

Episcopal residence ($5,000 insurance expiring June 9, 1902)	$11,000 00	
Stormzand property, acquired by foreclosure	2,901 85	
Hayes property, acquired by foreclosure	617 85	
Rogers property in Big Rapids, acquired by foreclosure	285 00	
Total real estate		$14,804 70
Total Episcopal Fund		$33,605 25

The following mortgages are in process of adjustment, or are being foreclosed:

John Schoffin, $1,000 on property in Ironton, Mich., negotiations are pending for an exchange of this property for a house and lot in Grand Rapids. If exchange is made, it will probably enable us to recover at least the principal of the investment.

H. L. Birdsall, $300 on property in Mancelona, is being foreclosed.

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Property was sold October 29, 1898, and time for redemption expires October 29, 1899.

FOR PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

John H. Bruist	Mortgage,	7	per cent.	$ 700 00	
"	"	7	"	700 00	
"	"	7	"	100 00	
Russell Slade	"	7	"	800 00	
William Booth	"	7	"	400 00	
Chas. P. Duston	"	7	"	300 00	
Calista Myers	"	7	"	75 00	
A. Leaderson	"	7	"	200 00	
Rufus Hall	"	7	"	200 00	
Total mortgages					$3,475 00
Real Estate—Goossen property					467 48
Total Permanent Missionary Fund					$ 3,942 48

FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

J. Clark Sproat	Mortgage,	7	per cent.	$1,200 00	
"	"	7	"	800 00	
C. E. Stone	"	7	"	1,000 00	
Russell Slade	"	7	"	800 00	
John N. Rippey	"	6	"	400 00	
Permelia Pollock	"	7	"	210 00	
Total mortgages					$ 4,410 00
Real Estate—property in Kalamazoo, acquired under settlement of Julius S. Ward mortgage					576 00
Total Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund					$ 4,986 00

FOR RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

Akeley Institute	Note,	7	per cent.	$500 00	
D. C. Loveday, et al	"	8	"	90 85	
St. Paul's Church, Mendon, deed				275 00	
Total Rectory Building Fund					$ 865 85

FOR SUNDRY SPECIAL FUNDS.

Akeley Institute	Note, 4 per cent.	$ 1,000 00

PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST.

The values being those given in Parochial Reports, Journal of 1898.

Baldwin, Deed from W. L. Webber, insurance $600, expiring Dec. 8, 1900	$ 400 00
Benton Harbor, Deed from W. L. Stewart, et al., trustees, insurance $1,500, expiring Mar. 5, 1901	2,500 00
Central Lake, deed from J. N. Rippey, trustee, insurance $500, expiring April 16, 1901, and $500 expiring Feb. 25, 1902	800 00
Charlevoix, deed from James A. Gellick	1,900 00
Coopersville, deed from Sam'l C. Graham	100 00
East Jordan, deed from John Nichols, insurance $500, expiring June 29, 1898	1,500 00

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Elk Rapids, deeds from R. W. Bagot and Dexter & Noble, insurance $5,000, expiring June 6, 1901..	$5,000 00
Evart, deed from W. F. McDermott, et al.....	150 00
Grand Rapids, St. Johns, deed from R. Bynon, et al.	4,000 00
Greenville, deed from M. Rutan, et al., insurance $1,000, expiring July 1, 1899.....	1,500 00
Harbor Springs, deed from A. J. Southard, insurance $2,000, expiring Sept. 15, 1901.....	2,500 00
Luther, deed from Catherine W. Sprague, insurance $500, expiring Nov. 16, 1901.....	650 00
Mancelona, deed from Chas. Nelson, insurance $1,000, expiring March 4, 1901.....	1,000 00
Mount Pleasant, deed from Minnie K. Brown, insurance $1,300, expiring Feb. 16, 1901.....	2,500 00
Muskegon, St. Luke's, deed from J. N. Rippey, Trustee, insurance $400, expiring Feb. 12, 1901	1,000 00
Paw Paw, deed from Maria N. Gremps, insurance $1,200, expiring Nov. 1, 1900.....	1,400 00
Pentwater, deed from John W. Loomis	2,000 00
Petoskey, deed from H. O. Rose, et al., insurance $1,500, expiring July 6, 1899	6,000 00
Quincy, deed from Sam'l C. Mowry.....	1,200 00
Rockford, deed from Neal McMillen, insurance $500, expiring Nov. 21, 1900, and $500 expiring July 6, 1901.....	1,500 00
Schoolcraft, deed from Caroline L. Stewart.....	2,000 00
Three Rivers, deed from Henry C. Taylor.....	3,000 00
Whitehall, deed from Vestrymen, Church of the Redeemer, insurance $1,000, expiring Nov. 16, 1899	3,000 00
Total property held in trust.....	$46,600 00

F. A. GORHAM,
Treasurer.

Grand Rapids, Mich., June 6, 1899.

The undersigned, lay members of the Standing Committee, acting as a Board of Auditors by appointment of the Convention of 1876 (page 39 Journal of 1876), do hereby certify that we have examined the securities in the hands of the Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan, as set forth in the foregoing lists and find them correct as stated therein.

WM. J. STUART.

The report was received and referred to the Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, Chairman of the Committee on Unfinished Business reported as follows:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business having examined the Journals of 1898, beg to report the following matters awaiting action at this Convention:

Item I. Page 42. A Committee of Conference of this Diocese with the Dioceses of Michigan and Marquette upon the subject of legislation, was appointed, said committee to consist of the Bishop of the Diocese and two laymen. The Bishop appointed as lay members of that committee Mr. Jacob Kleinhans, Chancellor of the Diocese, and Mr. Albert Crane.

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Item II. Page 46. A Committee of Clerical Settlement. The Rev. John N. McCormick, the Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Mr. F. A. Gorham and Mr. E. T. Montgomery.

Item III. Page 46. A Committee on Change of a Mission into a Parish. The Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Rev. Norman Harrison, and Mr. R. H. Buckhout.

Item IV. Page 69. A Committee of three clergymen and two laymen were appointed by vote of the Convention to make arrangements for the proper observance and celebration of the 80th birthday of our beloved Bishop, and the 25th anniversary of his consecration as Bishop of the Diocese. The Committee appointed was as follows: The Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., the Rev. J. N. McCormick, the Rev. Lewis Brown, Mr. George Willard, and Mr. D. G. Robinson. From each of the aforesaid committees a report should now be made.

R. H. FORTESCUE GAIRDNER,
GEORGE S. LOVELACE,
R. H. BUCKOUT,
Committee.

The report was accepted.

The various items of the report were taken up in order.

Item I. Mr. Jacob Kleinhans reported for the Committee on Conference.

To Twenty-fifth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

The Committee appointed to confer with the Dioceses of Michigan and Marquette, upon the subject of State legislation (Journal 1898, page 42), respectfully report that the first meeting of the joint committees was held in Detroit, December 9, 1898, at which there were present, Bishops Davies, Gillespie and Williams, also Rev. H. Tatlock and Messrs. S. D. Miller, W. C. Maybury, and Samuel Post, of the Diocese of Michigan.

At this meeting Bishop Gillespie submitted the draft of the bill to be presented to the Legislature for a new State law, to take the place of the one repealed in 1897, and Rev. H. Tatlock, presented a proposed canon for the organization of churches under the act of 1897.

After a brief and informal discussion, the whole subject was postponed for the consideration of the committees at a meeting to be held at Lansing.

The next meeting of the committees was held at Lansing, January 18, 1899, at which there were present, Bishop Gillespie, Messrs. Albert Crane, and Jacob Kleinhans, from the Diocese of Western Michigan, and Rev. Henry Tatlock, from the Diocese of Michigan, and Senator Alexander Maitland, from the Diocese of Marquette.

At this meeting it was decided that it would be better to procure new legislation, than to proceed by canon, and the bill which had been prepared for that purpose, was gone over and carefully amended and agreed to, and was subsequently passed by the Legislature and approved by the Governor, and now is the law of the State, providing for the organization of Protestant Episcopal Churches.

This act is substantially a re-enactment of the law, which had been in force for something like forty years, before it was repealed by the Legislature in 1897. There are, however, a few changes of importance, to which we think attention should be called.

1. By the new law the annual parish meeting, may, at its option, classify the vestrymen in three equal classes, so that one-third may, at the option of any church, be elected each year. This gives to each Church the power to prevent the turning out of its vestry, as a body,

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and the election of an entirely new vestry, at the annual meeting, which might revolutionize the policy of the Church. It is not obligatory upon any Church to classify its vestrymen and elect only one-third each year, but it is entirely optional whether it will do so or not, and this plan was approved by the Convention of 1898, (Journal 1898, pages 41–42.)

2. By the former law, the vestry of any Church might sell or mortgage the Church property, upon being authorized to do so, by a vote of the congregation; by the new law, in addition to the foregoing, the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, is now necessary. At the last General Convention, the canons were amended so as to require such consent of the Bishop and Standing Committee, to the sale or incumbrance of Church property (Digest Canon 26, Sec. 2), and the new State law is in harmony with this canon.

3. The new law provides that all Protestant Episcopal churches, which have been organized under any other general law, and also those whose corporate term of existence has expired, or may be about to expire, may reorganize under the new law.

4. The new law also provides that any Church may, at any annual or special meeting of the parish, amend its articles of agreement in any manner not inconsistent with the provisions of the act and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church and of the Diocese in which it is located.

Respectfully submitted,
GEO. D. GILLESPIE.
ALBERT CRANE.
JACOB KLEINHANS.

The report was accepted.

On motion the new law was ordered to be printed in the Journal.

On motion the Rev. A. E. Wells was given leave to address the Convention on the subject of renewing the Charters of Churches.

Item II. The Committee on Clerical Settlement presented its report by the Rev. J. N. McCormick.

The Committee on Clerical Settlement presents the following report:

The Committee has read with sympathy and appreciation the parts of the Episcopal Address of 1898, referring to the question of the settlement of the Clergy in Parishes. We find that our Diocese is by no means the only one suffering from the abuses and mistakes therein mentioned. In the addresses of Bishops throughout the Church, the reports of Conventions, the pages of the Church press, as well as from pulpit and platform we hear the same complaints. The Canons of the different dioceses, as well as the customs and traditions of different sections of the Church vary in this matter, yet all are one in protesting against the secularization of Clerical settlement by the system of candidating, whether direct or indirect, and by the materialistic and degrading methods of "calling or hiring." It would seem as though the Church should escape the evils of independency and congregationalism and as though the power of mission should be more largely placed, under proper safeguards, in the hands of the Episcopate. Whether or not the Diocesan Canons give the Bishop the power of nomination or of veto, or whether or not the Convention has duly guarded its own powers in relation to vacant or recalcitrant parishes, there should at least be a recognition of the spirituality of the cure of souls, a cordial acceptance of the decencies and proprieties inherent in this unique relation,

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and a reasonable conformity to the wishes of the Bishop and the welfare of the Diocese. We earnestly deplore the short-sighted and worldly minded policy too frequently pursued by vestries and too readily acquiesced in by clergymen. The pastoral relation is not a commercial relation, and cannot be so regarded without blunting the sensibilities and lowering the standards of both priest and people.

We would remind ourselves that, in accordance with God's ordinance "they who preach the Gospel shall be of the Gospel." The obligation assumed by every Parish, by virtue of which it can only claim the right to "call" a minister, is that it shall give that minister due support and maintenance. So far as Diocesan Mission work is concerned, it would seem that the Bishop and the Board of Missions should, so far as practicable, send their missionaries wherever it is most advisable, assuming the responsibilities of their support, while all pledges and offerings made by the mission station shall go directly to the Central Board. That at least would appear to be the ideal, to be carried out whenever and so far as may be found possible.

While offering no resolution the Committee would call special attention to our present Canon on Clerical Settlement, (Canon VII,) and urge that its direction be complied with in spirit as well as in the letter. The Bishop should have due and timely notice of elections, his recomendation should be treated with courtesy and consideration, and the Vestry should remember the Bishop's power of appointment after six months unnecessary vacancy.

JNO. N. MCCORMICK.
E. T. MONTGOMERY.
F. A. GORHAM.

The report was accepted.

Item III. The Committee on Change of a Mission into Parish not having any report, none was made, and on motion the Committee was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The Rev. J. N. McCormick for the Committee on the 25th Anniversary of the Bishop's Consecration and of the organization of the Diocese reported.

The Committee on 25th Anniversary of the Consecration of Bishop Gillespie present the following report:

After conference with the Bishop, it being of first importance to ascertain and consult his wishes in the matter, the Committee recommends the passage of the following resolutions:

I. *Whereas*, December 2nd, 1899, will mark the 25th Anniversary of the organization of the Diocese of Western Michigan and the election of the present Bishop, it is suggested that a Committee be appointed to arrange with him the necessary plans for a proper celebration of this important land-mark in our Diocesan history, such celebration to be held in St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, on or about December 2nd, 1899, the services on that occasion taking the place of the usual semi-annual.

II. *Whereas*, by the Bishop's special request, his personal anniversaries are merged in the anniversary of the Diocese, the Convention at least desires to congratulate the Rt. Rev. George De Normandie Gillespie on the 25th Anniversary of his consecration as Bishop of Western Michigan, and on his attainment, the fourteenth day of the present month, in strength of mind and body, of the eightieth year of his life, and also to extend to him its hearty wishes and earnest prayers for his continued health, happiness, and activity.

JNO. N. MCCORMICK.
LEWIS BROWN.

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The report was received and adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Woodford P. Law the same committee was continued.

Mr. W. F. Biggar offered the following resolution of amendment of the Canons:

Mr. Wm. F. Biggar gave notice of a motion to amend section 2, Canon VI by inserting after the word purpose, "and are not in arrears for the same"; and by substituting for the word "males", the words "male communicants."

which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Secretary presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Committee on State of the Church of the House of Deputies of the General Convention of 1889 (see journal of 1889, page 345) defined who is a communicant; be it

Resolved, That a communicant is a person who has been confirmed and has made one communion. Having been once enrolled on the books of any parish, a communicant removing to another parish should be regularly transferred, as provided by Title II, Canon 12, Sec. 1 of the Digest of Canons. If a communicant shall have left the parish of his enrollment without procuring such letter of transfer, or if he shall have withdrawn from his place of residence beyond the knowledge of the officers of the parish his name may be dropped. But no less cause than a legally executed excommunication should serve to erase his name from the list of communicants when known to be still resident in the parish of his enrollment. A communicant may be placed under censure, or even be temporarily suspended, but he is still a communicant, and his name should not be stricken from the register of his parish without due process of law.

which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Charles T. Stout offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Diocese of Western Michigan in convention assembled send its congratulations to the Bishop of Colorado on the completion of the 25th anniversary of his consecration to the Episcopate.

which was adopted by a rising vote.

The Rev. Mr. Stout was authorized to send the above telegram.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff read the report of the Semi-Annual.

REPORT ON SEMI-ANNUAL MISSIONARY MEETING AND DIOCESAN CHURCH CONFERENCE.

The 49th Semi-Annual met in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan, on November 15, 16 and 17, 1898.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Received from Bishop	$40 00
Offertory	8 36
	$48 36
Traveling Expenses of Clergy	43 97
Balance returned to D. G. Robinson	$ 4 39

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The 50th Semi-Annual met in St. Paul's Church, Muskegon, on April 11, 12 and 13, 1899.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Received from Bishop		$45 00
Offertory		4 56
		$49 56
Traveling Expenses of Clergy		49 59
Deficit		$ 03

M. S. WOODRUFF.

The report was accepted.

The Secretary was authorized to print and distribute 500 copies of the Journal.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Gairdner the salary of the Secretary was fixed at $100.00.

The Rev. A. E. Wells, Registrar, presented his report.

REPORT.

The Registrar of the Diocese respectfully reports, that the Journals of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts have been received and placed on file. Such periodicals as we take are in proper order. We have received no increase to the Library this year. The circulation of books has been about as usual.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

June 1, 1898.	Cash on hand	$ 2 61	
	Payment for book lost	1 00	
	From Diocesan Treasurer	25 00	
			$28 61

CONTRA.

Paid for Insurance	$ 2 10	
Subscription	1 00	
Postage and Expressage	1 17	$ 4 27
Balance in hand		$24 34

Signed,
A. E. WELLS.

The report was accepted.

The hour having arrived the Convention proceeded with the election.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mr. E. T. Montgomery for Treasurer of the Convention.

The Secretary cast the ballot as directed.

Mr. E. T. Montgomery was declared elected Treasurer of the Convention.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary cast the ballot for the Rev. A. E. Wells for Registrar.

The Secretary cast the ballot as directed.

The Rev. A. E. Wells was declared elected as Registrar.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Sidney Beckwith and Mr.

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Horatio B. Lewis as Tellers on the ballot for Standing Committee.

The Tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the vote.

The Bishop nominated Mr. Jacob Kleinhans as Chancellor of the Diocese. The nomination was confirmed by the Convention.

The Chair appointed the following special committees:

Committee on the Observance of the Lord's Day—Clerical: Charles R. Hodge, Fred C. Hall. Lay: A. C. Torrey, Horatio B. Lewis.

Committee on the Church Helper—Clerical: Cyrus Mendenhall. Lay: F. A. Gorham, C. W. Parsons.

Committee on Diocesan Missions—Clerical: Wm. H. Thomas, D. D., J. W. Armstrong. Lay: George S. Lovelace, F. W. Cosgrove, C. D. Pool.

Committee on Akeley Institute—Clerical: Charles R. Hodge, James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., George Forsey. Lay: L. H. Beeson, James Vosper.

On motion of Rev. J. W. Armstrong the Treasurer was authorized to pay the Sexton of Grace Church ten dollars and to the pages two dollars and fifty cents each.

On motion, the Hon. Wm. B. Williams was excused from further attendance on the sessions of the Convention.

The Tellers appeared and reported.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS.

On the election of Standing Committee.

Whole number of votes cast 41. Necessary to a choice 21.

The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne	received	32
The Rev. Lewis Brown	"	30
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	"	28
The Rev. J. N. McCormick	"	34
The Rev. Wm. H. Van Antwerp, D. D.	"	12
The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D.	"	12
The Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D.	"	14
The Rev. J. W. Bancroft	"	1
Mr. J. D. Burns	"	26
Mr. Jacob Kleinhans	"	35
Mr. C. R. Wilkes	"	8
Mr. James Vosper	"	9
Mr. F. A. Gorham	"	21
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart	"	23

Signed, SIDNEY BECKWITH,
H. B. LEWIS, Tellers.

The following gentlemen were declared elected:

Clerical:—Robt. R. Claiborne, Lewis Brown, R. H. F. Gairdner, J. N. McCormick.

Lay:—J. D. Burns, Jacob Kleinhans, Wm. J. Stuart, F. A. Gorham.

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The Chair appointed the Rev. T. H. Cuthbert and Mr. E. C. Leavenworth as Tellers upon the election of the Board of Missions.

The Tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the vote.

The committee on the accounts of the Treasurer of the Association reported.

REPORT.

Your Committee has examined the report and vouchers of the Treasurer of the Association of the Diocese, and find the same to be correct.

JNO. N. MCCORMICK.
WILLIAM HEAP.
ELLSWORTH S. ELLIS.
JOHN SWORD.

The Report was adopted.

The tellers appeared and reported.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS.

On the election of the Board of Missions.
Whole number of votes cast 39. Necessary to a choice 20.

The Rev. William Lucas	received	39
The Rev. J. N. McCormick	"	39
The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner	"	39
The Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne	"	39
The Rev. George Forsey	"	39
Mr. A. C. Torrey	"	32
Mr. D. G. Robinson	"	30
Mr. Wm. J. Stuart	"	29
Mr. H. B. Lewis	"	23
Mr. E. C. Leavenworth	"	21
Mr. C. W. Parsons	"	19
Mr. A. J. Mills	"	20
Mr. C. R. Wilkes	"	9
Mr. H. C. Davis	"	7

Respectfully Submitted,
THOS. H. CUTHBERT,
E. C. LEAVENWORTH,
Tellers.

The following gentlemen were declared elected:

Clerical:—Wm. Lucas, J. N. McCormick, R. H. F. Gairdner, Robt. R. Claiborne, George Forsey.

Lay:—A. C. Torrey, D. G. Robinson, Wm. J. Stuart, H. B. Lewis, E. C. Leavenworth.

There being but two nominees for the Missionary Council, on motion the Secretary was directed to cast the ballot for the nominees, which was done accordingly.

The Rev. Wm. Lucas and Mr. A. C. Torrey were declared duly elected.

Mr. George S. Lovelace from St. Paul's Church, Muskegon, extended an invitation for the Convention to meet in that parish next year which was unanimously accepted.

The hour for assembling was fixed at nine o'clock A. M.

Recess was taken till 7 P. M.

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT 7:00 O'CLOCK.

The Convention came to order.

The Bishop in the chair.

Missionary service was said by the Rev. Woodford P. Law.

The Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, Secretary of the Board of Missions read the report of the Board for the Conventional year.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

To the Twenty-Fifth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

The Board of Missions, elected by the Twenty-Fourth Annual Convention, met at the Episcopal Residence, Grand Rapids, on Thursday, June 23, 1898, and was regularly organized by the election of the Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner as Secretary and Mr. D. G. Robinson as Treasurer of the Board.

Seven meetings have been held during the year, and it is gratifying to the Bishop, and will be a source of satisfaction to the Convention, to know, that these meetings have been marked by a larger attendance than has been recorded within some years.

The Missionaries who have been engaged in the work of the Diocese during the year, or part of the year, are as follows:

The Rev. A. Wetherbee, St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft and Trinity, Three Rivers.

The Rev. Wm. Westover, Grace Church, Ludington.

The Rev. Norman Harrison, St. Paul's, Mendon, and St. James', Sturgis.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor, and St. Paul's, St. Joseph.

The Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, Grace Church, Holland.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., St. John's, Mt. Pleasant.

The Rev. J. W. Armstrong, Emmanuel, Petoskey.

The Rev. A. W. Mann, Missionary to the Deaf and Dumb.

The Rev. Thomas Beeson, St. Paul's, Greenville.

The Rev. Thomas Cuthbert, St. Paul's, Elk Rapids.

The Rev. Charles Stout, Grace Church, Traverse City; St. Matthias, Central Lake and The Redeemer, East Jordan.

The Rev. H. P. Vicborn, St. Alban's, Dowagiac and St. James', Cassopolis.

The Rev. Sidney Beckwith, Trinity, Grand Rapids.

Mr. Wm. H. Webb, Lay Reader, St. John's, Grand Rapids.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, General Missionary of the Grand Rapids Convocation.

From the quarterly reports and also from recent correspondence with the Missionaries, and other sources, the Secretary is enabled to report with reasonable accuracy, concerning the condition of the Missionary work under control of the Board.

The Rev. A. Wetherbee has continued his work at St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft, with his usual acceptance and patient care. This charge has been somewhat weakened by removals; but the few who remain are among the faithful, and are mindful of their Priest and Church. Mr. Wetherbee has also ministered regularly at Three Rivers. At this point an effort is being made to dispose of a portion of the Church lot, in order to enable them to restore the foundation of the Church, and make other necessary repairs.

The Rev. Wm. Westover has worked with laudable energy at Lud-

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ington, and although it cannot be said that the work has made much advancement, yet it has retained what measure of strength it had, and that is full of satisfaction, when it is remembered how few in number, and how weak financially the Church is here.

The Rev. Norman Harrison began the year with Sturgis and Mendon under his charge; but within a few months Mendon entered into an unhappy imitation of a people of olden time, and besought the Church to depart out of their coast. It is hoped that Mendon may return to a better mind. At Sturgis Mr. Harrison is meeting with exceeding encouragement, and is hopeful of soon being able to purchase a lot for the erection of a Church building.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, continues to serve Benton Harbor and St. Joseph with singular devotion, and in the presence of constant discouragement. It may not be within the province of the Board to undertake the delicate task of reprehension, and yet it may be permitted to suggest that a larger measure of loyalty to their spiritual Mother, the Church, is the first exceeding need of the Benton Harbor Mission, if they are to know anything of growth, or spiritual blessing.

The Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., has met with fair success in conserving the Church's interests at Holland, and indications are not wanting of an appreciative people, who witness with zeal to the polity of the Church.

The work at Mt. Pleasant under the watchful care of the Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., is assuming the position of influence in the community it has long been the hope of the Bishop it might assume. The Board deems it a matter of congratulation that it was found possible to arrange for Dr. Rippey taking up his residence there, and devoting his entire attention to this important place.

At Petoskey the Rev. J. W. Armstrong continues his excellent and most efficient service. Some years ago the Bishop referring to this Mission made this record: "I could find only one person attached to the Church, but I told her to hold her faith and her worship as seed that may in time spring up." How abundantly this expressed hope of the Bishop's has been realized is made plain in the steady and conservative growth which has become the characteristic of this Mission, and notably so under the present successful Missionary. A Rectory built within the year is a grateful addition to the Mission. It is the expectation of the officers of this Mission that it will soon be recognized as a Parish.

The Rev. A. W. Mann, Missionary to the Deaf and Dumb, has ministered with regularity and great acceptance to the silent worshippers peculiarly committed to his care.

The Rev. W. H. Thomas, D. D., still continues to minister to Grace Mission, Lyons and under his influence, the serious loss this Mission sustained by fire some months ago, in the partial destruction of their buildings, is being rapidly restored.

At Greenville the work has recently been undertaken by the Rev. Thomas Beeson, whom we are glad to welcome to the Diocese. This Mission now presents the brighest and most hopeful outlook it has given for years. Liberality and unity are among the signs shown.

The Rev. Thomas Cuthbert, whom we would also welcome to the Diocese, has recently entered upon the work at Elk Rapids, and has already imparted strength to this worthy Mission. This Mission is peculiarly fortunate in having laymen reared in loyalty to the character and teachings of the Church.

At Traverse City the Rev. Charles T. Stout has met with the success expected of him, and has made the Bishop and the Board doubly glad over his return to his old Diocesan home. Additional repairs are being made upon the Church, and the growth of the general work is full of satisfaction. Mr. Stout has also ministered regularly at Central Lake

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and East Jordan. At Central Lake improvements are being made upon the Church.

The Rev. H. P. Vicborn reports results most gratifying over the work undertaken by him at Dowagiac and Cassopolis. The Mission at Dowagiac is one of the most important charges in the Mission field of the Diocese, and under the well-regulated zeal of the efficient Missionary, and with a continuance of the present generous provision of the Board, the planting of the Church here may be assured. At Cassopolis there is less opportunity for growth; but the Church has also its duty.

Charlotte is still in its chronic state of vacancy. During Lent the Rev. Lewis Brown, and the Rev. Charles Atwell graciously conducted services at regular intervals and a class was prepared by the Rev. Lewis Brown and presented to the Bishop for confirmation.

Paw Paw has nothing to report.

Charlevoix, as usual, has had the care and the ministration of the Bishop during the Summer, and for this repeated privilege is deeply grateful. During Lent the Rev. Thomas Cuthbert, and the Rev. J. W. Armstrong gave this Mission frequent services, and this in addition to the regular care of their own Missions.

Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, under the fostering care of the Rev. Sidney Beckwith, is beginning to show some signs of returning life.

St. John's, Grand Rapids, still retains the services of the lay reader, Mr. Wm. H. Webb, and are doing as well as could be expected while bearing the burden of a large indebtedness.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law has ministered another year as General Missionary, and has served with his usual acceptance and with as much success attending his labors as could be expected from a Missionary, having under his charge such an extended field. The report of the General Missionary to be made to this Convention will show how active has been his work throughout the year, and yet the Board is constrained to the belief that the outlay involved in maintaining the office of General Missionary is not justified by the outcome, while the Board would not presume to treat the work of planting the Church on a purely economic basis, yet, after due and careful examination of the vast territory which it is necessary for the General Missionary to traverse, the attending cost in time and money, and a generous estimate of the greatest number of services it is possible for our devoted General Missionary to give, it is convinced that the present methods of a General Missionary is unwise and uneconomic. The Board would, therefore, avail itself of this opportunity, and recommend that the office be supplanted by some system, yet to be devised, of grouping Missions throughout the Diocese, and having them supplied by Priests residing in their natural centers.

Interwoven with these annals there is an invisible element made up of disappointments patiently borne, of secret devotions, of endless hopefulness, and of heroic aggressiveness born of faith, but through it all, the Board, in submitting this its annual report, would make record with thanksgiving to God that He has not left us without abundant witness that His Spirit has rested upon the work of our Missionaries throughout the year. The Board commits itself to the hope that the pledges for the work of the incoming year will be so generous and unstinted that whenever the standard of the Church has been planted by our Missionaries, it may be upheld and maintained. Scattered throughout the Diocese are all sorts and conditions of faiths, and unfaiths, and we are to believe that the Church is the divinely appointed rallying ground for these dissevered elements. We have no right to give up, or to abandon any field when the banner of the Church has been planted, however unfruitful that field may seem to be. And when we are tempted to measure the value of a mission by the measure of demand,

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let us remember that Bishop Atkinson once said—"In political economy the demand creates the supply; but in Christian economy the supply creates the demand."

R. H. FORTESCUE GAIRDNER.

Pledges have been received for the Missionary Work of the Diocese for the ensuing year as follows:—

FROM PARISHES.

Albion, St. James',	$.....
Allegan, Good Shepherd,	50 00
Battle Creek, St. Thomas',	125 00
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's,	10 00
Coldwater, St. Mark's, (Parish $60; Sunday School $10)	70 00
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's, (Church $18; Sunday School $12)	30 00
Grand Haven, St. John's,	35 00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's,	500 00
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's,	.....
Grand Rapids, Grace,	40 00
Grand Rapids, Trinity,	10 00
Hastings, Emmanuel, (Parish $25; Sunday School $5)	30 00
Holland, Grace,	.....
Homer, Christ's,	.....
Ionia, St. John's,	55 00
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's,	200 00
Ludington, Grace, (Church, $8; Sunday School, $3.)	11 00
Marshall, Trinity,	90 00
Manistee, Holy Trinity,	20 00
Mendon, St. Paul's,	.....
Muskegon, St. Paul's, (Church, $50; Sunday School, $5.)	55 00
Niles, Trinity,	50 00
Saugatuck, All Saints',	.....
Traverse City, Grace,	30 00
Union City, Grace,	.....

Also from Missions as follows:

Baldwin, St. Matthew's, (Conditional)	$ 50 00
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity,	10 00
Cassopolis, St. James',	.....
Central Lake, St. Matthias',	.....
Charlotte, Grace,	25 00
Charlevoix, Christ,	.....
Coopersville, Epiphany,	.....
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	5 00
" Rev. H. P. Vicborn,	5 00
East Jordan, Redeemer,	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's,	.....
Grand Rapids, St. John's,	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's,	.....
Greenville, St. Paul's,	10 00
Harbor Springs, St. John's,	.....
Hart, St. Andrew's,	.....
Luther, Christ,	.....
Lyons, Grace,	5 00
Mancelona, Nativity,	.....
Muskegon, St. Luke's,	.....
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's, (Ch. $15., S. S. $5., J. N. R. $5.)	25 00
Newaygo, St. Mark's, (Conditional)	100 00

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Pentwater, St. James', (Conditional)	$ 80 00
Petoskey, Emmanuel, (Ch. $10., S. S. $5.)	15 00
Paw Paw, St. Mark's,	.....
Quincy, St. John's,	.....
Rockford, St. James',	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity,	.....
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's,	5 00
South Haven, Epiphany, (Conditional)	100 00
Sturgis, St. James',	10 00
St. Joseph, St. Paul's,	.....
Tustin, St. Johannes',	.....
Whitehall, Redeemer,	.....
Sherman, (Conditional)	100 00

The report was accepted and referred to the appropriate committee.

The report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, Mr. D. G. Robinson was presented and read by him.

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer.
In account with the Diocesan Mission Fund for the year 1898-9.

1898.		
June 3.	Balance on hand	$1064 26
	Received from St. James', Albion	21 00
	" Good Shepherd, Allegan	60 00
	" St. Thomas, Battle Creek	100 00
	" St. Andrew's Big Rapids	24 23
	" St. Mark's, Coldwater	70 00
	" St. Paul's, Elk Rapids	25 00
	" St. Mark's, Grand Rapids	500 00
	" St. John's, Grand Haven	35 00
	" Grace, Grand Rapids	50 00
	" Trinity, Grand Rapids	5 00
	" Emmanuel, Hastings	30 00
	" Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp D. D.	5 00
	" St. Luke's, Kalamazoo	200 00
	" Grace, Ludington	5 00
	" Trinity, Marshall	75 00
	" Holy Trinity, Manistee	23 23
	" St. Paul's, Muskegon	55 00
	" Trinity, Niles	50 00
	" St. Matthew's, Baldwin	5 00
	" Trinity, Three Rivers	25 44
	" Grace, Traverse City	25 00
	" Grace, Union City	2 93
	" St. John's, Harbor Springs	2 80
	" Grace, Charlotte	30 00
	" Christ Church, Charlevoix	$ 22 43
	" Redeemer, East Jordan	2 00
	" St. John's, Mt. Pleasant	18 50
	" St. Mark's, Newaygo	60 00
	" St. James', Pentwater	101 29
	" St. Mark's, Paw Paw	1 20
	" St. John's, Sturgis	2 50
	" St. Johannes', Tustin	75
	" Christ Church, Luther	7 66
	" St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft	3 00
	" Akeley Institute	3 80
	" St. Alban's, Dowagiac	2 52

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1898.	Received Nativity, Mancelona		$ 27 01	
	" Rev. Geo. Forsey		5 00	
	" Sherman Mission		1 60	
	" Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor		1 25	
	" St. Paul's, Greenville		4 50	
	" Epiphany, South Haven		55 75	
	" Mrs. A. F. Stewart, Mendon		1 00	
	" St. John's, Ionia		84 32	
	" F. A. Gorham, Treas. Int. on Permanent Missionary Fund		356 07	
	" Collections for Church Helper		22 82	
				$3273 86
1899.				
June 8.	Balance on hand	$1133 04		

CONTRA CR. FOR MONEYS PAID OUT FOR DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

1898.			
June 23.	Paid Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner Printing acc't	$ 1 50	
	" Rev. Wm. Lucas, Expenses attending Meeting of Board of Missions	1 25	
	" Rev. Geo. Forsey, Expenses attending Meeting of Board of Missions	1 20	
	" D. G. Robinson, Expenses attending Meeting of Board of Missions	2 25	
Sept. 8.	" J. E. Nelson, Expenses attending Meeting of Board of Missions	4 50	
	" Rev. Wm. Lucas, Expenses attending Meeting of Board of Missions	1 10	
	" D. G. Robinson, Expenses attending Meeting of Board of Missions	2 00	
Sept. 19.	" Dennis & Slingerland Printing Blanks	2 00	
Oct. 14.	" Rev. Wm. Lucas, Expense acc't for Clerical Services rendered at Missionary Stations	8 95	
Dec. 13.	" Rev. J. W. Bancroft Expense acc't as per order	2 60	
	" Guarantee Co.	5 00	
1899			
Jan. 17.	" Rev. Wm. Lucas, Expenses attending Meeting of Board of Missions	1 35	
	" Rev. Geo. Forsey, Expenses attending Meeting of Board of Missions	2 15	
May	" Rev. R. R. Claiborne, Exp. acc't	1 50	
	Transferred to Deaf Mute Fund	99 24	
	Paid Dennis & Slingerland, balance due for Printing Church Helper	47 25	
	Transferred to Church Building Fund	100 00	
June 1.	Paid Rev. A. Wetherbee, Stipends to date	75 00	
	" Rev. Wm. Westover, " " "	100 00	
	" Rev. H. P. Vicborn, " " "	104 17	
	" Rev. W. P. Law, " " "	650 00	
	" Rev. W. H. Woodruff, " " "	162 50	
	" Rev. Norman Harrison, " " "	197 50	
	" Rev. J. W. Armstrong, " " "	25 00	
	" Rev. Sidney Beckwith, " " "	120 00	
	" Rev. Thomas Beeson, " " "	66 67	
	" Rev. T. H. Cuthbert, " " "	66 66	
	" Rev. J. W. Bancroft, "	100 00	
	" Rev. J. W. Bancroft, for Clerical Services on Church Helper	50 00	

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June 1.	Paid Mr. W. H. Webb, Stipend as Lay Reader	$ 76 00		
	" Rev. Wm. Lucas, Expenses attending Meeting of Board of Missions, Nov. 15th, 1898	1 20		
	" Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, Exp. acc't for Clerical service rendered at Missionary Stations	5 49		
June 6.	" Dennis & Slingerland, Printing Church Helper for June	25 00		
	" W. J. Stuart, Expense acc't	4 79		
	" Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner, Exp. as Sec.	5 00		
	" D. G. Robinson. Exp. acc't as Treas.	12 00		
	Transferred to Book and Tract Fund	10 00		
June 8.	Balance to New Acc't	1133 04		
				$3273 86

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer.

In account with the Bishop's Trust Fund.

1898.			
June 3.	Balance on hand	$ 89 99	
7.	From All Saints, Saugatuck	2 37	
20.	" Woman's Auxiliary, Grand Rapids	18 00	
22.	" Grace Church, Ludington	2 21	
29.	" Akeley Institute	1 90	
Aug. 30.	" Christ Church, Luther	1 40	
	" Sherman Mission	3 25	
Oct. 3.	" Miss Lula Hall, Sturgis	4 00	
Nov. 17.	" Grace Mission, Charlotte	5 00	
19.	" Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Balance from Expense Fund	4 26	
Dec. 5.	" Dr. and Mrs. Van Deusen	50 00	
13.	" St. James', Sturgis	2 11	
16.	" St. Paul's, Mendon	1 11	
1899.			
Jan. 14.	" St. Paul's, Greenville	4 40	
20.	" Trinity, Three Rivers	6 20	
23.	" Bishop Gillespie, Draft from Kalamazoo	10 00	
25.	" Christ Mission, Charlevoix	2 40	
31.	" Grace, Traverse City	1 10	
Feb.	" St. James', Rockford	1 00	
	" Woman's Auxiliary, St. Mark's Gd. Rapids	18 00	
Mar. 1.	" Mrs. Loveday, East Jordan	50	
6.	" St. Paul's, Muskegon	8 17	
8.	" St. Mark's, Coldwater	5 25	
11.	" St. Stephen's, Schoolcraft	3 00	
21.	" Emmanuel, Hastings	3 25	
24.	" Grace Mission, Charlotte	3 40	
25.	" St. John's, Mt. Pleasant	1 57	
28.	" St. Luke's, Kalamazoo	19 26	
30.	" A Lady	5 00	
April 5.	" St. Paul's, Grand Rapids	1 00	
	" St. Mark's, Grand Rapids	14 56	
6.	" Grace, Holland	4 39	
24.	" St. James', Sturgis	2 70	
25.	" St. Thomas' Battle Creek	11 31	
27.	" St. Matthias, Central Lake	70	
May 1.	" Holy Trinity, Manistee	12 78	
3.	" Trinity, Niles	4 82	

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1898.				
May 3.	From Good Shepherd, Allegan	$	2 80	
11.	" St. Mark's, Newaygo		2 25	
13.	" Akeley Institute		2 33	
	" St John's, Grand Haven		1 97	
16.	" Emmanuel, Petoskey		5 00	
18.	" St. Paul's, St. Joseph		1 37	
	" Grace Mission, Charlotte		3 16	
	" Epiphany, South Haven		1 50	
	" Nativity, Mancelona		1 75	
19.	" St. John's, Ionia		3 07	
20.	" St. Paul's, Elk Rapids		5 00	
22.	" Grace, Traverse City		1 25	
June 1.	" St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, $10.00, Emmanuel, Hastings, $3.25, St. Luke's, Kalamazoo, $15.00, in a draft		28 25	
	" Woman's Auxiliary, Ionia		3 75	
	" Grace, Ludington		3 00	
	" Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor		4 25	
	" Trinity, Marshall		5 00	
				$ 406 06
1899.				
June 8.	Balance on hand			$ 95 68

CONTRA CR. BY MONEYS PAID OUT.

1898.			
June 28.	Paid West Mich. Ptg. Co. Bill, June 21	$	1 25
Aug.	" Detroit Churchman for Akeley Inst.		2 00
June 6.	" Draft to F. A. Gorham, to pay inf. on $1000.00 Loan, Akeley Institute		20 00
Oct. 3.	" S. E. Gorham. Current History for Akeley Institute		1 50
20.	" Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Expense acc't attending Examination and Ordination of Rev. C. R. Stearns		2 00
Nov. 10.	" West Mich. Ptg. Co. Bill, Oct. 29		2 50
14.	Cash for Expense of Clergy Semi-annually at Allegan		40 00
	Paid Rev. C. D. Atwell his expense acc't as per order		1 50
25.	" Rev. J. W. Bancroft Expense acc't attending Examination of Candidate for Deacon's Orders		1 00
Dec. 15.	" Order to F. A. Gorham, Int. on $500.00 Loan to Akeley		25 00
24.	" H. H. Carter & Co., Boston		2 41
27.	" Young Churchman Co. Bill Dec. 24		75
1899.			
Jan. 3.	" James Pott & Co., Bill for Almanacs		10 00
Feb.	" Powers-Tyson Ptg. Co., Printing 100 Postals		1 75
	" Lyon, Beecher, Kymer & Palmer Co., per Webb		1 35
20.	" Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., as per order		5 00
Mar. 4.	" Powers-Tyson Printing Co. Bill Feb. 23, for Akeley		2 50
11.	" Dennis & Slingerland as per order		25 00
	" The Bishop's Bill for items from Mar. 2, 1898 up to Mar. 3, 1899		13 62

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April 6.	Paid Powers-Tyson Printing Company Bill April 3. 1899	$ 3 25	
11.	" Rev. C. D. Atwell for Expense of Clergy Convocation held at Muskegon as per order	40 00	
17.	" Bishop Gillespie as per his order, to balance Expense acc't	5 00	
27.	" Evening Post for Akeley	2 00	
June 1.	" Stipends to Eben P. S. Miller, Fairabault, Minn.	50 00	
	" Stipends to D. Charles White, Geneva, N. Y.	50 00	
	" West Michigan Printing Co., Bill May 27	1 00	
8.	Balance on hand carried to New Acc't	95 68	
			$ 406 06

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In account with Ministerial Fund:

1899			
June 8,	Cash in hand	$ 5 00	

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In account with Church Building Fund:

1898			
June 3,	Balance on hand	$ 11 43	
	By appropriation made by the Board of Missions	100 00	
			$ 111 43

CONTRA.

1898		CR.	
June 30,	Paid the Bishop's order, Ralph Connable, Treasurer for Emmanuel Church, Petoskey	$ 50 00	
Sept. 1,	Paid J. W. Bancroft, interest on Mendon, as per vote of Board of Missions	10 80	
Nov. 15,	Paid the Bishop's order, given to Ralph Connable for Petoskey	50 00	
1899			
June	Balance to new account	63	
			$ 111 43
June 8,	Balance on hand	$ 63	

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In account with Deaf Mute Fund.

1898			
June 3,	Balance on hand	$ 15 30	
Sept. 1,	Christ Mission, Charlevoix	5 46	
13,	St. Mark's, Coldwater	5 00	
June 1,	Transferred from Diocesan Mission Fund.	99 24	
			$ 125 00

CONTRA.

1899		CR.	
June 1,	Paid Rev. A. W. Mann, stipend	$ 125 00	

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In account with Book and Tract Fund.

1898			
June 3,	Balance on hand	$ 5 00	
	Transferred from Diocesan Mission Fund.	10 00	
			$ 15 00

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1898	CONTRA.	CR.		
Nov. 14,	Paid Rev. W. P. Law, as per order	$ 5 00		
Dec. 5,	Paid Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., as per order	8 00		
1899				
Mar. 4.	Paid Powers-Tyron Printing Co. for slips	50		
June 8,	Balance to new account	1 50		
			$	15 00
1899				
June 8,	Balance on hand	$ 1 50		

In account with New Book Fund.

1899				
June 8,	On hand	$ 7 78		

D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer,
In account with the Bishop's Penny Fund.

1898				
June 3,	Balance on hand	$ 23 40		
Oct. 6,	From Emmanuel S. S., Hastings	1 37		
1899				
Feb. 6,	From Emmanuel S. S., Hastings	37		
			$	25 14
	CONTRA.	CR.		
	Paid draft to Mrs. Wilkinson	$ 22 37		
June 8,	Balance on hand to new account	2 77		
			$	25 14
1899				
June 8.	Balance on hand	$ 2 77		

LIST OF UNPAID PLEDGES MADE FOR DIOCESAN MISSION.

1899			
June 8,	Christ Church, Homer	$ 12 04	
	St. James, Pentwater, old balance	8 46	
	Grace, Traverse City, old balance	8 30	
	Grace, Lyons	5 00	
	Christ Church, Luther	28 10	
	St. Paul's, St. Joseph	17 50	
	Geo. W. Cole, Albion	5 00	
	St. Paul's Vestry, Grand Rapids	10 00	
	Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor	8 75	
	St. James', Cassopolis	5 00	
	Emmanuel, Petoskey, $10; S. S., $5	15 00	
	St. James', Rockford	12 00	
	St. John's, Sturgis	2 50	
	St. Paul's, Mendon	6 00	
	Epiphany, South Haven	44 25	
		$ 187 90	

Hastings, Mich., June 8, 1899. D. G. ROBINSON, Treasurer.

The report was accepted and referred to the Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, the General Missionary, read his report for the conventional year.

To the President and Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions and the Members of the Twenty-fifth Annual Convention of the Diocese:

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit on a separate sheet a tabulated statement of the work done by your General Missionary in this, the fifth year of his appointment.

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The services held by me in sixteen towns and villages are there shown to be 112; celebrations of Holy Communion, 44; Baptisms, 16; Confirmations, 8; Burials, 6; Marriages, 1. This statement also shows the sum of $292.58 collected from the several mission stations. Mancelona and Luther have been able to do but little more than pay off some floating indebtedness due a year ago, but we hope something more may be raised for the Board of Missions before Sept. 1st. The former mission is too far north to be served from Grand Rapids, and your Missionary feels unable longer to pay out each quarter from twenty to thirty dollars more in traveling expenses than he receives for that purpose.

Since the last Convention the "Church of the Epiphany" has been organized at South Haven, a lay-reader appointed and a Sunday School started. The new "Church of the Nativity" at Mancelona has been consecrated by the Bishop. Our Church people at Sherman, in Wexford county, have asked that one Sunday in each month be set apart for them, promising at least six dollars a month for the first year.

Two week-day services have been held at Cadillac and one person formerly connected with the mission at Mancelona, has been confirmed. A canvass of the city shows a strong desire on the part of a few faithful men to have the Church established in their midst.

The same may be said of Hart in Oceana county, while at Pentwater the rectory debt has been cancelled and a way opened for the placing of a resident Missionary.

St. Mark's Mission Church, Newaygo, bids fair to become a Parish, should the expected good fortune apparently in store for the village arrive in time.

Thus we find in the midst of discouragements, some promise of better things to come in our beloved diocese.

May the faithful who have waited long, soon realize their expectations.

Respectfully submitted,

WOODFORD P. LAW,
General Missionary, Grand Rapids Convocation.

(See appendix for statistical report.)

The report was accepted.

A report of the Woman's Auxiliary was read by the President, Mrs. R. W. Butterfield.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY REPORT.

I have the honor to present the report of the Western Michigan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary for the past year.

Our total is 23 boxes, valued at $737.25, and the Treasurer reports $556.25, divided as follows, [see I] but we wish it understood that these figures do not adequately represent the work actually accomplished by this society. All of the boxes scnt have been helpful, even those sent by the weaker branches filled with supplies for our schools and hospitals and have been sources of great comfort and relief. Our pledges for the year have all been met. We regret to say that two parishes have reported themselves as unable to continue the work longer, and we are glad to say that one, Trinity Church of Grand Rapids, has been added to the list of working societies.

One most encouraging feature of the year has been the work done by the Junior Auxiliary. It is not only that they report in money and values of boxes sent, $100.49, but that the interest the children have shown in the work and the papers prepared by them, lead us to hope that those who succeed us in this work may not have such a hard struggle with indifference and ignorance of what missionary work is. At Grand Haven the work has been singularly successful, and not only

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have the children become interested in the missionary cause, but what we think is a natural consequence in the church also.

The annual meeting held May 24, at Hastings, was one of the best in the history of our organization. Nine parishes were represented by 19 delegates, a representation strong in spirit and enthusiasm but exceedingly weak in numbers. These annual meetings are so helpful that I wish each delegate might make it a duty to bring with her a number from her own parish, that the influence might be more far-reaching.

A number of the clergy were present whose encouragement and kind words were very helpful.

After the celebration of the Holy Communion by Mr. Atwell, and an address of cordial welcome from him, the Auxiliary spent the morning in listening to reports. A very interesting paper was read by Mrs. Pomeroy upon Mormonism, and a delightful letter from Sendai was read which aroused a good deal of enthusiasm. A pledge was made towards the building fund for the little church at Sendai, which is so sorely needed by the Japanese converts. A subscription was also made to the Junior Auxiliary Publication Society, and our Secretary will forward to the different branches the printed matter promised by that society.

The services were fittingly closed by a most inspiring address by the Rev. Mr. McCormick. If it could have been heard in every part of the Diocese there would be no more annual meetings with only 19 delegates present. One could not listen to it without feeling the tremendous importance of the purpose of this society, its endeavors to carry out the command of the Master to carry the Gospel to all nations. We can best sum up the record of this year's work in the words of Miss Emery in her last report.

"This is not so much a work accomplished as a presentment of that feeling which lies deep and steadfast in the heart of the Woman's Auxiliary, that we are reaching out to the much more that remains to do and the better way to do it. If there is anything that this particular year has taught us, it is, possibly, the need of reaching the individual woman throughout the Church, who do not yet care for the things for which the Woman's Auxiliary primarily stands and with the approbation of their parish priests and with the unerring guidance of God the Holy Spirit helping them to care.

The total amount given by the Woman's Auxiliary for the year is:

Domestic and Foreign Missions, money	$201,100 41
" " " " boxes	181,259 82
Total	$382,360 23

(See Appendix for statistical report.)

The report was accepted.

An address upon Diocesan Missions was made by the Rev. H. P. Vicborn.

The Rev. Alsop Leffingwell, the representative of the General Board of Missions, made a very telling address upon the subject of the reasons why there is no greater spirit of missions among our people.

An offering was taken for Domestic and Foreign Missions. After prayer by the Bishop the Convention took recess till half past eight o'clock Thursday morning.

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THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 8, 8:30 O'CLOCK.

The Convention assembled, Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. James E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., and the Rev. Herbert Sowerby. The Bishop read that portion of his address referring to deceased Prelates and offered memorial prayers.

The Convention came to order, the Bishop in the chair. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Rev. Lewis Brown, chairman of the Committee on Canons presented the report of that committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

I. The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred an amendment to Canon VI, Sec. 2, herewith presented, as follows:

"*Resolved*, That Canon VI, Sec. 2 be amended by inserting after the word purpose, "and who are not in arrears for the same"; and by substituting for the word males, the words "male communicants."

Beg leave to report that in their judgment such action is deemed inexpedient; and they unanimously agree to non-concur in such proposed amendment.

II. The Committee also desire to state that in their judgment the definition of a communicant as set forth by the Committee on the State of the Church of the House of Deputies of the General Convention is in the order of explanation rather than a final decision. While they see no objection to calling attention to this construction upon the pages of the JOURNAL, they do not consider it within their province to recommend any especial action in the premises.

III. With reference to the proposed Constitution of the General Church presented by the Bishop no action is required, as the communication to the Diocese of the above proposed Constitution is in the nature of information in accordance with the General Canon.

The report was accepted.

The report was taken up in order. The Committee's report was adopted with reference to the first item of the above report.

The second item came up and was discussed. A motion was made to concur in the recommendation of the Committee. The Rev. C. T. Stout offered the following resolution as a substitute.

Resolved, That the statement of the Committee on the State of the Church of the General Convention of 1889, be adopted as the opinion of this Convention and be taken as a guide for the Priests of the Church in making out their reports.

Discussion of the subject followed.

On motion the whole subject was laid on the table.

The third item came up and on motion the Convention concurred in the recommendation of the Committee.

The Committee on Church Literature presented its report which was read by the Chairman, the Rev. Thomas H. Cuthbert.

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REPORT ON CHURCH LITERATURE.

Your Committee would respectfully beg to report as follows:

It is a mere truism to say that this is pre-eminently a reading age. People will read. Books and periodicals are issued from the printing press by thousands. Some are good, some bad, some elevating and stimulating, while others are polluting and vicious. The demand creates the supply. It is an appalling fact that a great deal that falls into the hands of the young is immoral and degrading. It is a subject which is rightly entitled to the earnest consideration of the Christian Church. Vice by every method which it can employ is engaged in circulating a literature whose only tendency is to weaken, pollute, and degrade alike the bodies and souls of the readers. It is the duty of the Church to counteract this tendency by the circulation of cheap, healthy literature. It is not necessary that this literature should be of a distinctively doctrinal character, but highly moral. The endeavor should be to supplant the trashy, vile stuff by the circulation of papers which place before the mind healthy ideals, stimulating ambition, enforcing honor, and promoting purity of life. If there is not a demand for this kind of literature the Church's duty is to create it by every means in her power. There is an urgent call for the Church in this day, not only to do what she can by way of counteracting the baneful influences of the trash which we find for sale in the news depots, railway cars, and in ordinary book stores, an influence derogatory to the best interests of society, but to take advantage of this craving on the part of the young for reading matter, by judiciously and zealously circulating a pure and elevating literature.

As to other departments of literature, your Committee would respectfully offer the following practical suggestions:

Every family in our Communion should read one or other of our Church newspapers, the reading of which will not only make them intelligent Churchmen, but create an intelligent interest in their work at home and abroad. The most intelligent Christian is the best Christian. and the Churchman who reads the Church newspapers, and the manifold literature pertaining to the Church is the best and most intelligent Churchman. The Church puts no premium on ignorance. The apostle said: "Add to your faith, virtue; to your virtue knowledge," and in these days knowledge can be obtained in no better way than through the medium of the press. It should be the duty of every clergyman to urge his people to subscribe for one of our Church papers.

We would also urge upon the attention of the Vestries the advantage of having a small Parish library, containing some of the best books published, dealing with the polity, doctrines, and worship of the Church. There are thousands of people outside the Church who are attracted by her matchless Liturgy, who know little or nothing of her ways. By loaning these books they would gain an intelligent interest in her as the historical Church of the ages, and eventually won to her more excellent ways. A supply of smaller books, and cheaper, can be obtained where the vestry is not financially in a position to invest in the more expensive ones. There are numerous small books and pamphlets admirably suited for this purpose and might, in many instances, be more serviceable than the the larger ones; such as Hodge's "The Episcopal Church, Its Doctrine, Ministry, Discipline, Worship and Sacraments;" Huntington's "Popular Misconceptions of the Episcopal Church;" and Shinn's "Why Am I an Episcopalian?" A very admirable series is published by the Rev. Wemyss Smith, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cleveland, at a dollar per hundred. There are many others, brief, pointed and convincing. A judicious distribution of these would bring a rich harvest of intelligent churchmen and strengthen our parishes.

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We would also call attention to the usefulness and necessity of our Diocesan paper, "The Church Helper," and to express a hope that its circulation may be greatly increased. It is necessary as a means of communication between the head of the Diocese and the Parishes. There can be no better way of increasing the interest of our people in the work being done in this Diocese than by the information supplied every month, through "The Helper." Let us do what we can to awaken our people to an active interest in the work of the Church in our Diocese. And it seems certain that this desired interest will be awakened by an extensive circulation of the Diocesan paper, which should be welcomed in every family.

We are respectfully,

T. H. CUTHBERT.
S. BECKWITH.
F. HALL.
A. COATES.

The report was accepted.

The Committee on Christain Education made its report which was read by the Chairman, the Rev. Charles R. Hodge.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND AKELEY INSTITUTE.

It is unquestionably true that learning is widely diffused among the people of our land, and that facilities and methods in our institutions of learning generally are far in advance of what they were in the past. That there is any great advance in what may be called Christian education is questionable, to say the least. Ignorance of the word of God, of sacred history, even of Christian ethics, is constantly displayed. Christian education, however, does not mean a mere training in what are called "sacred studies." The influence of our religion should pervade all branches of learning, and, what is most important, all minds and lives of students. It adds to true refinement, courtesy, taste and high thinking.

Your Committee would recommend an increased diligence in both public and private teaching, and influence of the clergy to supply this great lack in the education of the young, and to add in the family what is wanting in the public schools.

They would also commend our Church schools to our Church people, and all others within the reach of our influence. Our colleges are certainly equal to others, and in the matter of Christian education are unsurpassed. In our own diocese we have no school for boys, but in the adjoining diocese of Michigan City, at Lima, Indiana, is Howe Military School, an institution which we are glad to see our people beginning to patronize, and whose pupils are its best comment.

For the education of our girls we again call attention to our Diocesan school, Akeley Institute. Congratulating the diocese on its continued prosperity, we would urge its claims upon our people. In this school the health, morals, and spiritual welfare of its pupils are no less a matter of careful concern and training than is their intellectual welfare. Grateful for the interest and patronage of the past, we bespeak a greatly increased patronage for the future.

Your Committee recommends the nomination of the following trustees to fill these vacancies: Rt. Rev. G. D. Gillespie, D. D., Hon. D. C. Cutler, Hon. William Savidge, A. C. Torrey, W. J. Stuart, Horatio B. Lewis, David Fisher, Mrs. Thomas Hume, Rt. Rev. G. Mott Williams.

C. R. HODGE.
G. FORSEY.
JAMES E. WILKINSON.
JAMES VOSPER.

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The report was accepted.

On motion the recommendation of Committee of nominees for the trusteeship of Akeley was confirmed.

The Committee on the State of the Church presented its report, which was read by the chairman of the Committee.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee on the State of the Church begs leave to present the following report:

Whole number of Clergy, 37, of these, unemployed, 8; Parishes and Missions, 62; Baptisms, 315; Confirmations, 233–338; Communicants, 4864; Sunday School Teachers, 316; Sunday School Scholars, 2356; Contributions, $53,162.00; Valuation of Church property, $548,000: Indebtedness, $33,500. The debt on the Church at Muskegon having been cancelled by the splendid generosity of one of its vestrymen.

These statistics are taken largely from the last Journal and are the best at our command at the present time. During the year just past there has been a gain, but the figures show that after all we are but a feeble body in the midst of a population of nearly a million souls. Spiritual things, however, cannot be measured by numerical symbols. If the principles for which we stand are true the ultimate result is beyond question, even though the annual increase may appear small.

There is a complaint throughout the Church in regard to the decrease in the number of candidates for Holy Orders. Some view it as an evil omen, but we see no cause for alarm. God will supply the demand for laborers in His harvest. Some reasons for the decline are patent. Young men are deterred from entering the ministry because they see no need. They see an unseemly scramble for any vacant parish that affords a bare living. They see unholy parochial scandals that do not minister to edifying. They see worthy men beheaded because they cannot make bricks without straw, they see a greater need of more faithful and devoted laymen than of more ministers. And then, again, the ordering of unsuitable persons has contributed to the evil. We must recognize the fact there are some men in the ministry who are not fitted for the work. They are a hindrance, and not a help. Good men they may be—but piety is not an all-sufficient qualification. Something more is needed. The element of success, whatever that may be, is needed to a greater degree here than elsewhere. A bad man, or even a dull, stupid man in the pulpit can do more harm than all the saints in the Parish can do good.

During the past year we have lost but one of our Clergy, for which we record our thanks. It is a notable fact, however, that within a few years almost every Parish and Mission in the Diocese has changed its minister. Your Committee views with grave apprehension this restlessness on the part of both Clergy and laity. It indicates an unformed and unsettled condition of society, a weakness of religious conviction, and a lack of appreciation of sacred obligations. Some of its causes are easily discerned and need to be abated. It is expected to obtain an able administrator and eloquent preacher at small cost, which is as impossible in the Church as in the commercial world. The best man for the work is not always secured, because of the carelessness or indifference of those who have the matter in charge, and they should blame only themselves. The Clergy are restless because of the meagre support accorded them, not only financially, but morally. They enter upon their duties enthusiastically but soon find that those who seemed vigilant and faithful under the inspiration of novelty begin to fall away and resume their natural apathy. The Priest becomes discouraged, and as he sees the inevitable dead line rapidly approach-

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ing flees, he knows not where, to pass through the same experiences of hope and despair. The only relief from the dismal possibilities which these conditions forbode is a deeper consecration of mind and heart in both Priest and people.

The Sunday School, the training of immortal souls in the ways of the Kingdom of Heaven, is a sphere for the influence and exercise of the best Christian graces. We realize with shame and sorrow the difficulty of enlisting the sympathy and aid of the best people in its behalf. Oftentimes they do not require or even encourage the attendance of their own children. The Sunday School is not designed to remove the responsibility that rests upon parents to train their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. It should not be necessary for the Church to exert her missionary energies to evangelize the children of Christian parents. A reality of belief on their part would compel parents to instruct their children in early life, while the heart is most susceptible to religious truth, in those things which are absolutely essential to a proper development of the moral and spiritual nature. It is a solemn thought that in the last day the chief witnesses against a man may be those of his own household—his own children. With a more active interest on the part of the laity the Sunday School could be made a mighty power in the building up of our Zion.

The prevalent disregard of the Lord's Day should cause serious concern to all Christian people. The religious life of any community is greatly endangered when Christians for trifling cause neglect the services of the Church, or worse still, exhibit the unwholesome example of attendance upon social functions. The indwelling spirit of Christ without doubt must compel the outward observance of religious ordinances. In every community Christian people hold the balance of power and could without any intrusion upon the individual rights of others constrain a moral sentiment that would ensure a better observance of the day. The reaction against a Puritan Sabbath may give us a Pagan holiday.

It would be most remiss not to remark the faithful work done by various societies in the Church, especially the Woman's Auxiliary, which should be represented in every Parish. But we should remember that an excess of organization does not indicate strength and in much serving we may lose, or fail to gain the highest spiritual achievement. The fruit should have a spiritual flavor. We recognize the wisdom of division and apportionment of labor and laborers, but if a person refuses service in the household of faith, under the banner of Christ we may question his ultimate faithfulness in a society to which is attached the name of an obscure saint.

We note with devout thanksgiving, that during the great financial depression, now happily passing away, it has not been necessary to curtail the missionary work of the Church. Under the direction of our untiring and devoted Diocesan the best use has been made of the limited means available. But efforts should be directed toward an expansion of the work. It is a short-sighted policy to say nothing of its not being Christian, when a Parish looks only upon its own things. Monies invested beyond its own borders not only strengthens its own spiritual life, but often return in material increase. The population of the cities is largely increased by the influx of people from the country and smaller towns, and if the Church had a hearing in such places the city churches would benefit by the cities' increase. As it is, a very small per cent. of those removing to the cities know anything of the Church and her ways. This commends itself as a simple business proposition —advertising the Church where she is unknown.

The report of our Diocesan school is more encouraging, Christian education demands the best thought of the Church. Her success lies in this direction; never was there greater need of it. In our secular

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schools religion is for the most part ignored, and the name of God unspoken. The foundation for character is poorly laid. Disregard of religion may usually be traced to lack of training in early life. No amount of training in after life can atone. The reception and assimilation of religious truth is of necessity a gradual process. The blade, the ear and the full corn in the ear. Violation of this common law results in disaster. There can be no certainty of knowledge or steadfastness in faith. Religious training in our schools is all the more needful because of the decline of religious training in the home. There are homes palatial in all their appointments, invested with all that skill and taste and wealth can devise, whose walls are repulsive as the walls of a prison house, because there is no love in them, no beauty of Christian grace, no delicate touch of sympathy, no gentle word of loving assurance, no open Bible, no altar of prayer for burdened souls. The fruitage of the Gospel of Christ was never more abundant than in the present age, but how long will the religious life of a people bear such fruit, if the spirit of that life be not constantly nourished and fertilized? How long will men work for Christ when they have ceased to worship Him? How long will men reverence God after they have banished Him from the universe? The age demands great steadfastness in those appointed to minister in holy things.

(Signed by Committee.)

R. R. CLAIBORNE.
M. S. WOODRUFF.
F. A. GORHAM.
C. T. STOUT.
C. W. PARSONS.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Jacob Kleinhans, Chancellor, presented his report.

To the Bishop and the Convention of the Diocese of Western Michigan:

During the Convention year my opinion has been asked and given on the following questions:

1. As to the validity of a vestry meeting which was held without notice being given to one of the wardens.
2. Whether the members of a Mission who had subscribed and paid for a lot, could compel one of the officers of the Mission, who had taken the title in his own name, to convey it to the Association in trust.
3. As to the liability of a Mission to pay its minister the arrearages of his salary.

Dated June 6th, 1899.

Very respectfully,
JACOB KLEINHANS,
Chancellor.

The report was accepted.

The Committee on the Admission of Parishes and Missions into Union with Convention, made its report, by the Rev. Herbert Sowerby.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ADMISSION OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Your Committee beg leave to report as follows:

The application of the Mission of the Epiphany, South Haven, for admission into union with the Convention has been examined and found to meet all the requirements of the Canon regulating such admission. We therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That Epiphany Mission, South Haven, be admitted into union with the Convention.

HERBERT SOWERBY,
Chairman of Committee.

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The report was accepted.

On motion, Epiphany Mission, South Haven, was admitted into union with the Convention.

The delegate-elect, Mr. Herman Haupt, was admitted to a seat in the Convention.

The Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese made its report.

Your Committee to whom the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, were referred, would respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and the vouchers for the moneys paid out and find the same correct.

C. R. WILKES.
J. L. SWEETNAM.
W. F. BIGGAR.

The Committee on Accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions:

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, respectfully report that they have examined the receipts and disbursements of the Treasurer and find the same to be correct, and proper vouchers accompanying each item.

Your Committee would also recommend the careful perusal of that portion of the Bishop's excellent address which refers to Diocesan Missions, calling for more earnest and conscientious response to its claims on the part of all Parishes and Missions in the Diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. THOMAS.
J. W. ARMSTRONG.
T. W. COSGROVE.

The report was accepted.

The Committee on the Observance of the Lord's Day:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THAT PORTION OF BISHOP'S ADDRESS RELATING TO SUNDAY DESECRATION.

Your Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's address relating to Sunday desecration realize the grave importance of the matter as presented in the Bishop's address. The persistent disregard of the sanctity of the Lord's Day is one of the gravest problems confronting the Church at the present day. Communicants of the Church openly violate the letter and spirit of the Canon bearing upon this subject, as minor and local civil authorities disregard the laws of the State. It is the opinion of the Committee that this matter should be plainly presented before the people in a spirit of kindliness and love, that the Church's law upon the subject should be made known beyond question, and that a compliance with its spirit should be urged upon their consciences.

C. R. HODGE.
FREDERICK HALL.
H. B. LEWIS.

The report was accepted.

The Report of the Committee on the Church Helper was presented by the Rev. Cyrus Mendenhall.

Your Committee on that portion of the Bishop's address dealing with the Diocesan paper desire first to recognize the value of the publication from a historical standpoint, both as to its local and foreign circulation.

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We regret to learn through the medium of our Bishop's address that the deficiency in its receipts from subscribers still continues, and that this year the deficiency amounts to $125, or about two-fifths of its cost of publication. Our Bishop states definitely in the address that this arrearage must be met. There are in our judgment, so far as the future is concerned, three sources from which this deficiency can be supplied, viz.: 1st, a decided increase in the subscription list. 2d, an effort to gather in a select class of advertisements. 3d, an assessment, based at so much per capita per communicant.

There seems so little general interest in the news contained within its pages as to render it little likely that a large enough increase in the subscription list alone can be obtained sufficient to cover any possible deficiency, but we do believe (with our Bishop) that systematic effort upon the part of the *spiritual* heads of the various parishes and missions would result in a marked increase in the subscription list.

We look upon the scheme for gaining advertisements as sure to result in a loss of labor.

There still, therefore, remains the likelihood of a shortage of an unknown amount.

The anxiety, care and labor of its future publication should no longer in a detailed way be a burden upon our beloved Bishop, and we urgently recommend (simply because we cannot command), that in the future all details of its several issues be given to a committee or to the Board of Missions of the Diocese, who shall have authority to delegate its editorship to some clerical member of the Convention and its printing to some member of our Communion, who shall make a satisfactory yearly contract.

Your Committee offers the following :

Resolved, That an assessment each year of 5 cents per capita per communicant be levied throughout the Diocese, and that the same be included in our Diocesan assessment and that the sum so raised be turned over by the Treasurer of the Convention to such person, committee or board as shall have charge of the publication of our Diocesan paper. Should the sum so realized, together with the amount received from subscribers be more than is required to meet the cost of publication, we would suggest that some portion of the surplus be allotted to the clergyman or clergymen who shall edit the paper. The amount of such allotment to be determined by the Convention from year to year as the fund permitted.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRUS MENDENHALL.
F. A. GORHAM.
C. W. PARSONS.

The report was accepted.

The appended resolution came up and motion was made that it be not adopted.

Rev. Dr. Wilkinson offered the following as a substitute.

Resolved, That the Committee on the Diocesan assessment be authorized to add $250 to the amount to be raised. This amount to be apportioned amongst the different parishes and missions.

The substitute and original resolution were laid on the table.

Rev. M. S. Woodruff offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due to the people of Grace Church, Grand Rapids, for their courteous and generous hospitality extended to the members in attendance.

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Which was adopted.

Mr. D. G. Robinson was called to the chair. The minutes were read and approved.

The Bishop resumed the chair. The Bishop made a brief address on the duty of laymen being active in Parish work and upon the payments of all indebtedness during the year 1900. He also made a few touching remarks upon the work and usefulness of the life of Rev. J. W. Bancroft. The *Glory in Excelsis* was sung and with prayer by the Bishop and his blessing of peace, the Convention stood adjourned, *sine die.*

GEORGE D. GILLESPIE,

President.

Attest:

J. N. RIPPEY, Secretary.

JAMES E. WILKINSON, Assistant Secretary.

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APPENDIX A.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

The Clergy will please read appropriate parts to their Congregations on a Lord Day Morning, soon after the Convention.

Dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

"My helpers in Christ Jesus." I greet you again assembled in Convention. While this is our 25th Annual Convention, the quarter century of our Diocesan organization will not expire until Dec. 2d, A. D., 1899. It was then that we entered the Church family of Dioceses and assumed our rights and privileges under the constitution of the National Church. I state this in explanation of my making no reference to what would seem a rounded period.

That after a winter of such severity, and which has made its record of bereavement in many homes, when the roll call is made, no name will be missing from the clerical list, calls for an ascription of praise to "God the giver of life, of health, and of safety."

THE DECEASE OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP.

On February 7th, 1899, the Rt. Rev. John Williams, D. D., LL. D., for more than half a century identified with the Church in Connecticut, for forty-eight years in the Episcopate, and for nearly two decades the Patriarch of the American Church, so far as that title can have recognition, put off the weakness of four score and two years for the new life of Paradise. The event is so recent, and the Church Press has rendered so largely the tribute, of biographical notice, commendation of character, of intellectual ability, and of official diligence and wisdom; that I only quote the summary of all, as it comes from the Diocese that knew him as its own. "He has shaped the lives of hundreds of the Clergy; he has trained thirteen Bishops; the doctrine, discipline and worship of the Church have been elucidated by him; policies of Church Statesmanship have been shaped by him, seed thoughts for his generation have been sown by him; and great decisive speeches of his have given leading to our lead-

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ers in critical hours." "He will rank in the ultimate estimate of our times as one of its really great Bishops."

THE DECEASE OF THE RT. REV. JOHN H. D. WINGFIELD, D. D., LL. D.

On July 27th, 1898, the first Missionary Bishop of Northern California passed to his rest. Most emphatically may we say to his rest, for here was the consolation of his departure. Bishop Wingfield was consecrated December 2d, 1874, having been elected by the General Convention. He was soon called to enter on the work of a noble Pioneer, whose "days past, his purposes were broken off even the thoughts of his heart." Then came the struggle of a great enterprise with no corresponding resources, in which his own pecuniary means were absorbed, and worse by far his brave heart failed. And deeper trials came. And so, swallowed up with overmuch sorrow, he passed to the weakness of body and mind that for years called forth the Church's sympathy and prayers.

The story of such an Episcopate enforces what I may at some time have said, and what has more than once induced me to withhold my consent to the Consecration of a Bishop, the wrong of imposing the responsibilities of the office, when the field to which he was sent had not the means to advance his work, nor was the Church prepared to supply them. The presence of Missionary Bishops at the East compelled to personally solicit funds, has become, we may almost say a scandal; and while "knees have grown feeble" with the task and "hands have hung down," hearts have been made heavy. It may sound very grand, and seem to show the Church "putting on her strength," that not an inch of our national domain but is under Episcopal charge; but mining towns and "the cattle upon a thousand hills," will not make a promising missionary jurisdiction, nor is there such a charm in a Bishop's presence that men and means are not needed factors.

VISITATIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS.

Through a kind Providence, in good health during the year I have been able to visit nearly every point where we have any active work. Places omitted will have attention in June.

The number confirmed in 20 Parishes, 13 Missions is 338, 105 in excess of last year.

THE PROGRESS OF THE YEAR.

The notes of advancement are—Battle Creek has been remembered as the Church charges her people, and her Priest to remind them; and a front porch and indebtedness discharged, are the witnesses; Elk Rapids has made improvements, but the best of all has for eight months had her Rector; St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, mainly through her Altar

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Guild has improved her chapel and adorned the Church: Grace has improved the interior; Muskegon bears the banner for individual liberality that has lifted the heavy indebtedness existing since the Church was erected, and already sees the influence in an enlarged congregation; Niles has put in electric lights, I wish I could say more day light, and on a recent visit cheered me with an encouraged Rector and people; Traverse City having last year seen the Church placed on the lot for some time held, the interior has lost the gloom of lack of light by day and night, has been made attractive with Chancel improvements, and the Parish is coming up to what so flourishing a city demands. In connection with the Missions, Cassopolis is again under pastoral care; Central Lake has made the Church comfortable for winter services: Dowagiac has been restored as a Mission, and mainly through unusual missionary aid temporarily granted, and active ministerial service, is promising; Greenville has her resident and exclusive pastor; Mancelona has seen her Church completed and consecrated; Mt. Pleasant has now the entire services of a minister; Petoskey has paid the debt on its lots, and erected a Rectory beside the Church; South Haven has been added to the Missions.

The list is very meagre, no corner stone laid, no Church begun. I had hoped that our missionary work would result in our occupying some new points. It grieves me as on my travels I am passing through towns as Cadillac, Reed City, Belding, and a score with a population over 1,000, and some 1,500, as I see their fine churches, to think that we have not even a name among them. It does not comport with our claims that it should be so.

Not that we would mark our progress only by material increase and prosperity. Evidences of the spiritual life are far more before God. We cannot make the "observation," and show the "growing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ," but these are the records of Apostolic times. "So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and increased in number daily." When it is true of the "very members incorporate in the mystical body of God's Son," that they are "submitting themselves wholly to his holy will and pleasure, and studying to serve him in true holiness and righteousness;" all that, the "lengthening of the cords and the strengthening of the stakes" calls for, the quickened interest, the willing liberal bestowment, will abound.

THE SUPPLY AND VACANCY OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS.

No clergyman has been withdrawn from the Diocesan list, a very unusual record; four have been added, by ordination to the Diaconate 1, by transfer 3, making the whole number

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37, of these not in parochial work 8, 3 disqualified by age and infirmities.

The Rev. Thomas H. Cuthbert entered on the work so well sustained and prepared by the Lay Reader, at Elk Rapids, October 2, 1898. The Rev. Jeremiah E. Walton after serving Trinity, Marshall, on a temporary arrangement, accepted the Rectorship and entered on his duties, November 1, 1898. The Rev. Thomas Beeson closed the vacancy at Greenville, becoming Missionary, February 1, 1899. The Rev. Sidney Beckwith assumed charge of Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, November 15, 1898. The Rev. Norman Harrison, on his ordination, December 11, 1898, was placed in charge of the Missions at Mendon and Sturgis, where he he had acted as Lay Reader. The Rev. H. P. Vicborn has had the new mission of Dowagiac and Cassopolis since February 12, 1899.

The Rev. C. R. Stearns was elected Rector of Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, and entered on his duties on his ordination to the Priesthood, Oct. 2, 1898; from which he resigned, his services to terminate October 30, 1898. The Rev. Herman P. Vicborn resigned the charge of St. James, Albion, October 1, 1898. The action of the Vestry was uncanonical and unjustifiable. Such action must hurt the feelings of a Priest of God, but far more, it brings the Parish under a cloud of injustice and hard heartedness that will not soon be lifted. St. Paul's, Grand Rapids, became vacant May 1, by the resignation of the Rev. A. H. Locke, another of the changes that make this Parish "unstable as water."

Albion remains vacant—a closed church in a town of this size, and with a largely attended Sectarian College, tells a sad story for the Parish, the Diocese and the Church, only the former of these can remove the disgrace. Homer had the services of the Rev. H. P. Vicborn until his removal to Dowagiac. I have in this case acted under the canon for lay readers, "Such license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a congregation without a Minister, which is able, and has had reasonable opportunity, to secure the services of an ordained Minister," declining to appoint a Lay Reader. The Parish has the "opportunity," and is "able" to secure services every other Sunday. The Lay Reader leaves the Parish without the sacraments and pastoral offices and care, and is designed only for cases where clerical services are impracticable. Mendon, though the Church had been secured to them by the Diocese, withdrew their support, January 15, 1899, so closing its doors. The little band at Saugatuck are cheered in the summer when the Rev. W. W. Taylor makes his vacation with them.

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In the Missions, Charlotte continues lay services, and has had the generous care of the Rectors of Battle Creek and Hastings weekly during Lent. Charlevoix, in addition to my services in my vacation, has a monthly service from the Rector of Elk Rapids, and during Lent has had a weekly service from the Minister of Petoskey. The Mission of St. John's, Grand Rapids, is under a Lay Reader, and has had the attention of the Rector of St. Mark's. St. Matthew's is virtually extinct from mistake in location and indifference of the people. Harbor Springs was last summer in charge of the Rev. W. Elmer, of Missouri. The Church at Lyons was seriously injured by fire when almost ready for occupation; by insurance and the generous aid of citizens, it is now nearly restored. St. Luke's Mission, Muskegon, lives only as a small Sunday School. Newaygo declined subscription for the year in view of needed repairs. Union City, Paw Paw and Quincy continue each having a good church but unused. It is painful, indeed, to contemplate these old churches in the southern part of the Diocese where the Church has longest had her existence. I can recall when on my visitations a Rector would meet me, and I would be greeted by elderly men and women to whom the Church was dear. They have passed away and there are none to fill their places —coldness and parsimony have taken the place of their love and zeal.

Lay services aside from those mentioned have been rendered in the Parishes of Holland, Allegan, Elk Rapids, Kalamazoo, Petoskey, Grand Rapids, Trinity.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

Fourteen Clergymen and one Lay Reader have received aid from the Diocese and the General Board during the year or part. The number of places served by the local missionaries is 20. The General Missionary has given regular services commonly monthly to four places, occasionally to nine. In all fifty places are brought more or less under Church influence. The General Board generously aids us with the continued grant of $1,300. Our Diocesan Fund has contributed to Church erection $110.80. The Rectory and Church Building Fund has now loaned to churches, rectories and Akeley Institute, $864.73.

Early in the year, I issued a Pastoral to the Rectors of Parishes asking their charge of Missions in their vicinity for which I could not secure other ministerial charge, and making an assignment. So far as heard from such care has been given by the Rectors and Ministers of Allegan, Battle Creek, Hastings, Niles, Petoskey, Grand Rapids, St. Mark's.

The inadequate payment by the Missions aided, to which I referred in my last address continues. I have endeavored

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in my visitations, to impress, with the value of the means of grace, the duty of meeting generously and gratefully the aid of the Board of Missions. Where such appeals do not avail, it may be well for the Board to make the condition of their aid a suitable sum raised by the Mission.

GENERAL MISSIONS.

The offerings to our Domestic and Foreign Missions for the year ending September 1, 1898, amounted to $1,322.87, an advance of $178.48 on the previous year, deducting the individual gift that year of $1,000. Glancing over the table of contributions, it is plain that this amount could be brought up to at least $1,500. It is a pitiful contradiction to the true spirit of the Church, when a Parish can applaud itself for looking on its own things, and show but the slightest interest beyond its limited borders.

The Children's Easter Offering for the year 1898 amounted to $526.63.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

There are sixteen branches of this strong arm of our missionary work. There are five branches of the Junior Auxiliary, that seeks to enlist the interest and energies of youth in spreading the kingdom of which by baptism they are members. I am glad to notice in the last report of our Auxiliary, "Parish Work" has been dropped. The Woman's Auxiliary, as originally constituted, contemplated aiding and advancing our Domestic and Foreign Missions; Diocesan Missions and Parochial sustentation were supposed to be interests that had their own constituency. Gradually purely Diocesan work has been admitted so far as its figures being placed in the table of acknowledgments, but the interest and effort properly gather mainly on the wider field beyond the Diocese. The report of the late meeting of the Auxiliary and of their work during the year will be laid before you.

In my visitations I have urged the monthly missionary service in our Sunday Schools, and called attention to the admirable leaflets for this purpose published by the "Junior Auxiliary Publishing Company," Hartford, Conn. I have also urged that where there is no Auxiliary, the Guild should have some missionary reading. Missionary information is the only hope of the missionary spirit.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONFERENCE.

The Semi-Annuals have been held at Allegan and Muskegon. The latter was the 50th of these assemblies of the Clergy, there has never been an intermission. The value of them is, in the intelligence which the wide scope of subjects presented has afforded, the intercourse of the Clergy, securing the "dwelling together in unity" which has ever blessed

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the Diocese, and which is of especial gratification to those who are isolated, and bringing the Parishes more in touch with Diocesan and Church interests. In the judgment of those who have been constant attendants, a judgment which has often found expression after leaving the Diocese, the Semi-Annuals have excelled in the programmes, and have been a marked institution of the Diocese. The Trust Fund being relieved from certain charges that the Convention has authorized, it has been practicable to meet the traveling expenses of the Clergy.

SOCIETIES IN THE CHURCH.

Aside from the claims of our Domestic and Foreign Missions, there are societies, some of them supplementary to the missionary work, that are entitled to the recognition of our interest and contribution. The American Church Building Fund Commission meets a need that among the leading denominations has created funds running into the millions. Our contribution for the year it were a shame to speak of. One hundred dollars from its gifts is in the Mancelona Church, and it holds its claim of $80 against St. Paul's, Grand Rapids. The Missionary to the Deaf Mutes has received beyond his stipend, $26.73. Seabury Divinity School and the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies have their claims on us, the former as receiving one of our candidates, and the latter for ever generous response to frequent applications. The American Church Missionary Society has its fields mainly in our new possessions, and our aid must reach them through its treasury.

The St. Andrew's Brotherhood, the Girls' Friendly Society, the Daughters of the King, have their existence in some of our parishes, and they should be better known to us. The tendency is too far to encourage parochial organizations only as they will aid the parish resources. A parochial society is not necessarily of any spiritual value, certainly not when its work consists mainly of preparing for and serving tables of sale and refreshments.

AKELEY INSTITUTE.

I am happy to be able to present a more encouraging report of our Diocesan School than of past years. The three thousand dollars subscription to meet the interest on the bonds, insurance, repairs, and other expenses, has been more than filled. The list of contributors, which I will read in the proper place, will show that $3,100 came from nine subscribers, $1,300 from four outside the Diocese. I cannot express the relief this generosity has afforded me. Alone and quietly I entered on the effort, which I had in vain urged on the Trustees and placed before the Diocese; not without fears as

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to the success, as most of those to whom I would apply had been liberal friends of the school. I was met with a readiness and courtesy, in which I must recognize with warmest gratitude long as this heart shall beat, that providence of our Heavenly Father, that in all these years of anxiety and toil has written in my memory "In the multitude of the sorrows I had in my heart, thy comforts have refreshed my soul." The Fund secures the interest on the bonds for three years from December 1st, 1898. The generous widow and daughter of the late Daniel Scotten of Detroit, have donated his $1,000 bond. With eighteen boarders and a few day and music pupils, the expenses have been nearly met. This has been by transferring the family to the new building, and an economy only restricted by the interests and comforts of the pupils.

I have appointed in each Parish and Mission an Akeley Committee of three ladies, asking them to call the attention of parents and guardians to the school, and inform the principals where there is any likelihood of securing scholars, and charging them with collecting the confirmee's money.

It is painful to close this refreshing record with announcing that the Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Ph. D., nominally Chaplain, though really in full charge with Mrs. Wilkinson as instructor and administrator, now closes his connection with the school. Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson have been identified with the school through the eleven years of its existence. To their untiring efforts, their wise administration, their personal sacrifice, we owe its continued existence in the years of early weakness and financial depression. We cannot too highly estimate their service. The pupils have given this expression to their feelings in parting with their teacher and friend. "All who have been at Akeley can appreciate the loss of one who has always made our life here such a helpful and happy one." The Trustees yield unwillingly to the wishes of our friend, knowing his need of rest and aware of his admirable adaptedness to the more strictly ministerial life, upon which he will enter. We are happy to retain for the coming year the services of Mrs. Wilkinson as principal, and with the assistance of Miss Anketell, so long working with us and so endeared to the pupils, and the present band of able teachers continuing. We have no fears that Akeley will not retain its prestige.

PENAL AND PAUPER INSTITUTIONS.

In discharge of my duties to the State, I have devoted a Sunday, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas to the House of Correction at Ionia, the School for the Deaf, and the Industrial Home for Girls. To this has been added the visitation of State institutions thirteen times, of poor houses five, of

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jails eighteen, attendance at the monthly meetings of the Board, at the annual Convention and Conference and of the joint prison boards. While these duties draw on my time and involve much travel, it is a relief to have duties that bring no pecuniary anxiety, that carry no fears as to patronage, and in association with gentlemen of like sympathies.

THE DIOCESAN PAPER.

The illness of our esteemed brother, the Editor, has devolved upon me the charge, temporarily I hope, of the CHURCH HELPER. The paper has existed in its present form since March, 1880, when the suspension of *Our Dioceses*, the Michigan paper, left us without an organ. The services of the editors have been rendered nearly the whole time without compensation, and the subscriptions with occasional help from the missionary fund have met the expense. For some years no special effort has been made to increase the list, and with the natural falling off, the annual receipts cannot be estimated at more than $200, while the expenses are about $325. Provision must be made to meet the deficiency. I believe that personal effort on the part of the Clergy would increase the subscription list, and with an enlarged list advertisements might be secured. Four hundred and fifty subscribers is only one to ten communicants.

THE PAYMENT OF CHURCH DEBTS.

I have already suggested to the Diocese as the most worthy celebration of the Quarter Century of our Diocese the discharge of parochial debts. From what data I have, there is resting on the parishes of funded debt about $33,000, of floating about $6,500, of the former, there are three sums amounting to $21,100; of the latter, with the exception of our largest Parish, the amounts generally fall below $500, most of them are below $100. A determined effort in the next six months would certainly remove most of these, and diminish nearly all. While the accomplishment of this would involve liberality and even self denial, it would certainly be a most helpful and agreeable relief to the parishes, and enable us to start out on our own period with insured energy and zeal. I recommend the appointment of a committee of laymen to be known as the Parochial Relief Committee.

THE LACK OF CHURCHMANSHIP.

Turning from the review of the year, I ask your attention to matters indirectly related to our Diocesan life, and associated with the Church at large.

Foremost in my thought is, the lack of steady adherence to the Church in warm affection. Among many painful evidences of this are the dropping of Church ties on removal, and finding a home preferred for numbers, business promo-

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tion or social position; indifference to planting the Church in the community leaving the small band of workers to serve alone; and extreme parsimony that accepts as a gratuity what Church privileges are enjoyed, or makes a subscription that, compared with the home, the dress, the pleasure, might be entitled the crumbs dropped from the table. I must confess, it sometimes seems to me, that while we have much that is distinctive in Christianity, and claim a higher position historically, a greater nearness to Apostolic rule and sanction, more edifying services and better culture of the divine life through sacramental means and priestly offices; more in all this than the sectarian bodies around us; that with many of our people there is far less attachment to the Church than theirs to their denomination. I see them sustaining their churches where with equal ability or even greater, we struggle in vain for the foothold, or willingly abandon the ground we have secured.

It is commonly said in such cases, "the people do not understand Church principles, and I am sometimes more than annoyed to hear a new pastor speak as though he were the first to put the Church and her ways in their true position, when I know that if the people do not understand Church principles, it is because "having ears to hear they do not hear," or they have minds too obtuse to retain what they hear. There are Churchmen by intelligent conviction of what discriminates the Church from false Catholicism and popular Protestantism; and there are Churchmen held to the Church more by their tastes and affections. Both classes are loyal. And while what we may call the higher teaching has place in sermons and intercourse; we will find with the majority of people, the more ready "preferring Jerusalem," as the practical system of the Church is unfolded, her Prayer Book explained as applied to all the relations of life with "their sundry and manifold changes;" as the guide and help to "pass the waves of this troublesome world that finally they may come to the land of everlasting life." And there is much, very much, in the peaceful, lively parish, and the Pastor known and read of all as the good man, the shepherd who knows his sheep, and the people who hold dear their fellow members; that will bind together all within its embrace. We must take people as they are, and as they may be, and ply them with the arguments and influences that will in their case create a bond of Church attachment.

QUESTIONS OF THE DAY.

The Church press has lately agitated two inquiries which affect every Diocese. One is, "Is the Church growing?" Church growth has so many sides that it is hard to make a decision. We may illustrate by the Parish. An apparent

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decline in number of communicants may mean no more than that the list has been revised. A small number confirmed may have the good explanation of greater carefulness in admission. The figures may loom up largely this year because a debt has been wiped out, or an improvement has been made. To say whether a Parish is gaining or losing in degree, we must put one fact and one figure against another. If the difficulty exists where the factors are few and within easy range of observation; much more puzzling must it be when the tests are applied to the whole Church. It is a very disheartening tale to tell that with our growing population, the advance along all the lines of national power, and other religious bodies in the land confronting us with their showing of accomplishment; the Church that is already far behind them, is being even more distanced. We would ask whoever proclaims or even claims to cipher out, lessening strength; is not this to inflict the wounds that the Church inquired of as to their source responds, "Those, with which I was wounded in the house of my lovers."

This leads us to the second question, curtly put, "Have we too many ministers?" Like many other questions this may be answered, yes and no. In the present aspect, as I get it from my daily mail, as I examine pages of the Church Almanac, and read doleful communications in the papers, I answer yes. But if we had the list of the unemployed before us, the veterans who have served beyond the period when the army and navy and the higher courts give rest and pension, and those whom the enfeebled form disqualifies no less than age; we should find so many in each class that the Church would be largely cleared from responsibility.

In all callings, the professions especially, there will be mistakes in choice, and the liability is far greater in the ministry, and ordination shuts the door tightly; deposition is the brand, lightly relieved by "for causes not affecting his moral character" on him who thrusts it open. Then, good men have at least their eccentricities, something whereby their "good is evil spoken of," and as life advances these assume darker hues and become more the faults that will repel. As our bodies show ravages of time, our minds get rusty as age comes on, and unless conscientious study and writing interfere, "the things old" will keep coming out of the "treasure," when the stirring life of the present demand with them "things new."

There is another explanation of the laborer crying, "no man hath hired us." It is of the times in the Church. There is the lack of varied ministerial employment. We are a Church of Parishes and Missions, all the Bishop can assign to the priest whom he has just made such, is on these lines.

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Cannot the Clergy recall in Seminary days, as I can, the true scholar as clearly pointed to the Professor's chair as any of his companions to the pulpit, who after successive struggles in the pastorate fell back into a tame ministry, or disheartened, his life pined away? There are to be "doorkeepers in the house of the Lord," the early Church recognized them and used them; their place in this day would be, readers in the Church, visitors without, catechists, ready helpers in many things that ought to be done, but the Rector has no time to do them and should not be charged with them. And in higher rank and more strictly ministerial life, let there be men of the cloister, who shall stand for the defense and exposition of the faith, watching every phrase of heresy; who can come to the pulpit of the active Rector, clad in the armor of their intelligence to fight against the wily adversaries of our holy religion. Till the Church has some such division of labor she will have men unemployed, as in the marts of trade; there are men for whom there is no place, because they are specialists for whom there is no demand.

But the grand and painful explanation brings the laity and the clergy under impeachment. The laity, the men and women in the Parishes, who dictate to the vestries, make the demand for the fresh countenance, the vigorous limbs and as they think the certain success, of youth in the ministry. I suppose there is not a Bishop in the Church who is not worried and fretted to more indignation than the sun will go down upon, with the incessant, "we want a young man." The cry comes from parishes with their congregations of varied ages, intelligence and tastes, as from feeble flocks that think that the young man and the limited salary are inseparable.

The cry reaches the candidate in the Seminary, to mingle with his studies visions of the waiting parish with "a thousand dollars and a Rectory" perchance, where he will lead his bride, and have the poetry of ministerial life. And so the men who have added to pre-ordination study, the even more valuable experience, and who are men of affairs in administration; are thrust aside as laborers not worthy of their hire. Let the Church by rule and canon give the Bishop for five years after ordination the assignment of place and work, and there will be the unemployed clergy who are apt and meet, only as this must be under a system of settlement by vestry calls; or better far, let there be that ambition not to build "on another man's foundation," that spirit of self-sacrifice that becomes one who realizes "into how high a dignity he is called;" that to carry the Church with her privileges and principles where she is not known, will have far more attraction than the established Parish. If you will allow a personal

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reference, looking back on a ministry of thirty-five years, while I rejoice that it was exercised in only four parishes, it is painful to me that I cannot point to the Parish I have founded.

And this will meet what I believe is really the failure in the Church's growth, that it comes mainly by the accession and improvement in established Parishes, and not by occupying new points. All the figures presented in proof of gains come from the first source. The Tabular view in the Report on the State of the Church in the Journal of 1898, showed an increase in parishes of only 52. Corner stones laid not stated. Churches consecrated, only 28 more than in the previous triennial period.

SUNDAY DESECRATION.

There is one more subject to which I feel that I should call your attention. For years there has been an increasing profaning of the Lord's Day, to say neglect would be to deal too gently with the situation. With the public abuses, the ball games, the bicycle rides, the railroad excursions, the gala days in parks, beside lakes and streams, the theatrical performances; we may have little to do save to protest against them. But has the Church stood wholly aloof from "profaning the Sabbath Day?"

Has she made her record in keeping the commandment by the sacred ideal:—"If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my Holy Day; and call the Sabbath a delight, and the holy of the Lord honorable; and shalt honor it, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words." What means the Summer Sunday, the vacant Church explained by the people "doing their own pleasure," the way the day is passed at resorts, as though relaxation meant the suspension of honoring the Lord? The Winter Sunday with the dinner parties so large and rich as to be reported in the papers, and the evening teas and visits? The church has ruled, "All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation." Canon 23, Title 1. A Canon that bids the Clergy to enforce, "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy;" that defines how she expects her people to honor the day, and that warrants the discipline of such violations as are known among her communicants.

CONCLUSION.

A Bishop, reviewing year after year, the affairs of his Diocese, can scarcely help repeating himself. "Precept

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upon precept, precept upon precept, line upon line, line upon line," is forced upon him as upon the Rector in his Parish. And this is true of the Convention. The same funds must be reported on, the same institutions must tell the story of the year, the programme for one year might almost serve for every year. And yet neither should be lacking in freshness nor wanting in suggestion for improvement and progress.

I beg you, Brethren of the Clergy and Laity, to give that attention to all that may come before you, then, where there is weakness it may be detected, where there is something better it may be presented and adopted, that the Convention taken out of monotony may make its record of plans and purposes that promise a year and years of Diocesan strength and growth we all long for and pray for.

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified, receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before Thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

The Episcopal visits and visitations are so generally attended with the Bishop's preaching, administering the Holy Communion, and addressing the children, that it is not necessary to mention in every instance.

1898.

June 1–2. Wednesday–Thursday, BATTLE CREEK, ST. THOMAS'. The Convention. 28 clergymen and 22 laymen were present, the latter representing 11 Parishes and 2 Missions. Action was taken, in co-operation with the Diocese of Michigan and Marquette, to re-enact the law for the organization of churches, repealed by the Legislature of 1897. A system for a better mode of securing missionary pledges was established. Sundry back assessments unpaid were cancelled. Through the attentions and courtesy of the Rector and parishioners, and of the heads of the Sanitarium, the Convention received unusual social privileges.

June 2. BATTLE CREEK, ST. THOMAS', confirmed 6.

June 5. Trinity Sunday. SAUGATUCK, ALL SAINTS.' Officiated. The Church greatly needs repairs.

June 12. First Sunday after Trinity. ST. JOHN'S, GRAND HAVEN. Delivered the Baccalaureate Sermon. Evening, officiated in the Chapel of Akeley Institute.

June 14. Tuesday. AKELEY INSTITUE. The annual meeting of the Trustees.

June 15. Wednesday. The Commencement. The address was delivered by the Rev. J. N. McCormick. Three young ladies graduated.

June 19. Second Sunday after Trinity. MANISTEE, HOLY TRINITY. Held two services, at the latter confirmed 14. The Rector has daily Morning Prayer and early Communion and Evening Prayer.

June 20. Monday evening. LUDINGTON, GRACE, confirmed three.

June 23. Thursday. The meeting of the Board of Missions for apportionment. The sum available for grants, $3,718.10.

June 26. Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity. LUTHER, ST. JAMES' Mission, confirmed 2. The Church is now neat and comfortable.

June 27. Monday evening. SHERMAN, preached; with more services this might be developed into a Mission.

June 28. Tuesday. CADILLAC, confirmed 1 at a house ser-

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vice. This place is too large and important to be without our services.

June 29. Wednesday. MANCELONA, NATIVITY, Mission. The consecration of the Church. The request to consecrate read by I. C. Dillon, the sentence of consecration by Rev. W. P. Law. A good Church has been secured at small cost.

July 1. Left for my summer vacation.

August 28. July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, August 7, 21, 28, the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 11th, 12th Sundays after Trinity, officiated in CHRIST CHURCH, CHARLEVOIX, no clerical visitors relieving me, as on years past. Many of the resorters showed their appreciation of the services by their attendance. On the last of these Sundays, confirmed three persons, the service held in a private house. August 6, the Transfiguration. Administered the Holy Communion—11; Thursday, had the pleasure of receiving the children at my cottage.

August 14. Tenth Sunday after Trinity. TRAVERSE CITY, GRACE CHURCH. Confirmed 4.

August 30. Tuesday evening. CENTRAL LAKE. Preached; the next morning administered the Holy Communion.

September 1. Returned home, grateful for the rest and enjoyment of my two months in my cottage.

September 4. Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. JOHN'S, officiated.

September 11. Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity. MUSKEGON, ST. PAUL'S. The consecration of the Church, erected in 1893. The Instrument of endowment read by Mr. Thomas Hume. The sentence of consecration by the Rector.

September 18. Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity. BIG RAPIDS, ST. ANDREW'S, officiated, the Rector being disabled.

September 25. Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity. GRAND HAVEN, ST. JOHN'S. A. M., preached; evening, in the school chapel.

October 2. Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity. GRAND RAPIDS, TRINITY Church. A. M., ordered Priest, the Rev. Chilton Rupert Stearns. Presentor, the Rev. J. W. Bancroft, who united with the Rev. Sidney Beckwith in the laying on of hands.

October 3. Left for Washington to attend the General Convention and was absent until 27th. Was constantly present during the service of 16 days, and attended as far as practicable various meetings outside the Convention in the interests of the Church. Oct. 12th, was present at the annual meeting of the Church Unity Society, and briefly advocated what seems the only means attainable of promoting what we long and pray for, refraining from harsh words with regard to the Christian bodies who differ from us, and approaching kindly their ministers and people, as we are brought

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in contact with them, while we are firm in holding and presenting our essential principles. Oct. 13th, presided at the Triennial dinner of our Alma Mater, the General Theological Seminary.

The Convention impressed me more than ever, as it did others, that each of the houses has grown to numbers that forbid the consideration of Church affairs and interests, to the extent that might be expected of a body representing the whole Church and brought together at so much travel and expense. It is a noted fact that scarcely had the Convention risen when the Church is agitated by questions not one of which was heard of in either house.

October 30. Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. PAUL'S, A. M. GRACE, P. M. Gave an account of the Convention.

November 1. All Saints' Day. AKELEY INSTITUTE, the usual Memorial Service.

November 3. Thursday. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. MARK'S. Met the two branches of the Woman's Auxiliary and representatives from the other Parishes in the city. I suggested a quarterly meeting of all the branches, when papers may be presented and discussed. The plan has since been happily carried out.

November 6. Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity. CHARLOTTE, GRACE. Officiated at two services and baptized an infant.

November 13. Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity. NEWAYGO, ST. MARK'S. Officiated at two services.

November 15–17. Tuesday–Thursday. ALLEGAN, THE GOOD SHEPHERD. The 49th Semi-Annual and Diocesan Church Congress. Twenty-one clergymen were present. The exercises were unusually interesting and profitable.

November 20. Sunday before Advent. The Reformatory and State House of Correction. Preached in the morning, visited the Sunday School in the afternoon, and spent the evening in the cell blocks.

November 24. Thanksgiving Day. Spent the day at the State School for the Deaf, as has been my practice for several years.

November 27. Advent Sunday. GRAND RAPIDS, TRINITY Church. Preached.

December 4. First Sunday in Advent. MENDON, ST. PAUL'S. Officiated at two services. My visit was to remonstrate against proposed closing of the Church. Penuriousness triumphed, and I suppose it will be long before another service will be held.

December 7. Wednesday. BAY CITY. Addressed the Parish Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

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December 9. Friday. DETROIT. Attended a meeting of the committee of the three Dioceses appointed to secure from the Legislature the re-enactment of the law for the incorporation of our churches. A subseqent meeting was held at Lansing, January 19, when a revised law was adopted which has passed the Legislature, taking immediate effect.

December 11. Third Sunday in Advent. STURGIS, ST. JAMES' Mission. Ordered Deacon, Norman Harrison, Presenter, the Rev. J. W. Bancroft. Evening, preached.

December 18. Fourth Sunday in Advent. SOUTH HAVEN, EPIPHANY Mission. Preached twice. I was glad to have the work so faithfully pursued by the Rev. Dr. Schetky, resumed after long interval.

December 21. Wednesday. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. MARK'S, confirmed 2.

December 25. Christmas Day. The Industrial Home for Girls. It has been my practice to spend the Day at this Institution where I am always kindly received by the managers and girls.

1899.

January 1. First Sunday after Christmas. GREENVILLE, ST. PAUL'S Mission. Officiated at two services and held a Parish Meeting, at which it was determined to accept a minister I named to them.

January 8. First Sunday after Epiphany. THREE RIVERS, TRINITY Mission. Officiated morning and evening. The Mission feels the loss of Mr. C. E. Jameson. It is proposed to sell the lot adjoining the Church and use the proceeds for needed repairs.

January 15. Second Sunday after Epiphany. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. JOHN'S. Officiated p. m.; presided at the Children's Missionary Meeting. This is an admirable idea that I hope will be annually carried out in all Parishes.

January 22. Third Sunday after Epiphany. PETOSKEY, EMMANUEL. Preached twice and baptized the infant of the Rector.

January 23. Monday. CHARLEVOIX, CHRIST Mission, officiated; the next morning administered the Holy Communion.

January 25. The conversion of St. Paul, ELK RAPIDS, ST. PAUL'S Church. A. M., administered the Holy Communion; evening, preached. A vested choir of men, boys and women was introduced.

January 26. Thursday. TRAVERSE CITY, GRACE. On a very stormy evening, preached and confirmed 1. I was glad to make these mid-winter visits, as they presented the Bishop's coming as not merely official and obligatory.

January 29. Septuagesima. GRAND RAPIDS, GRACE. A. M., the Rector called away, I officiated.

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February 2. Thursday. GRAND RAPIDS, ST. MARK'S. Attended the quarterly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary.

February 5. Sexagesima. ROCKFORD, ST. JAMES' Mission. Officiated morning and afternoon. The Mission has had little service during the year.

February 12. Quinquagesima. The appointment for Homer was omitted, owing to the severity of the weather. the only omission I have made.

February 13. Monday. BATTLE CREEK, ST. THOMAS. Confirmed 1.

February 15. Ash Wednesday. AKELEY INSTITUTE. Address P. M. Met and addressed Woman's Auxiliary. Evening, St. John's, preached.

February 19. First Sunday in Lent. SCHOOLCRAFT, ST. STEPHEN'S. Preached twice. The little band has been grieved to part with their leading families.

February 26. Second Sunday in Lent. MUSKEGON, ST. PAUL'S. A. M., confirmed 15. I urged establishment of a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, this being the most prominent Parish in the Diocese without.

March 5. Third Sunday in Lent. COLDWATER, ST. MARK'S. Confirmed 4.

March 12. Fourth Sunday in Lent. CHARLOTTE, GRACE. Officiated twice.

March 19. Fifth Sunday in Lent. KALAMAZOO, ST. MARK'S. Confirmed 12.

March 20. Monday evening. SOUTH HAVEN. Confirmed 4. This new Mission promises well, the people are in earnest.

March 21. Tuesday. HASTINGS, EMMANUEL. Confirmed 16.

March 22. Thursday. MT. PLEASANT, ST. JOHN'S. Evening. Confirmed 10, including a sick person in private.

March 26. Sunday before Easter. GRAND RAPIDS, GRACE Church. Confirmed 28. Evening, TRINITY Church. Confirmed 7. This Parish is sadly depressed, the abler members having generally withdrawn, and a debt of $1,600 resting on the property. This is very much the result of poor management. Yet the neighborhood is favorable to a Parish, and with energy and self-denial on all sides the ground may be held.

March 28. Tuesday before Easter. ST. JOHN'S. Confirmed 10 who had had the attention of the Rector of St. Mark's. The Mission finds it difficult to pay interest and expenses for lay services. There is need for a Church in this part of the city and could clerical services be secured a Parish would be built up.

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March 29. Thursday before Easter. ST. MARK'S. Confirmed 21, an interesting class, being composed largely of children of the congregation.

March 31. Good Friday. ST. PAUL'S. Confirmed 4. The Parish is again vacant.

The condition of the Church in our chief city, outside the two leading parishes is not encouraging, not as much so as it was ten or more years ago. The larger parishes are more attractive, and pecuniary demands may be avoided; there is a lack of interest and co-operation in or with the weaker. The situation is very painful to me, and I cannot see from what quarter and in what form relief is to come.

April 2. Easter Day. HOLLAND, GRACE. Confirmed 1. The Rector had intimated his intention to resign, but confession of injustice, and ingratitude to him, and neglect of their sacred privileges, on the part of the congregation, have, to my great satisfaction induced him to withdraw it.

April 6. Thursday. ELK RAPIDS, ST. PAUL'S. Confirmed 8.

April 7. Friday. CENTRAL LAKE, ST. MATTHIAS' Mission. Confirmed 2.

April 9. First Sunday after Easter. TRAVERSE CITY, GRACE. Confirmed 9.

April 11–13. Tuesday–Thursday. MUSKEGON, ST. PAUL'S Church. The Semi-Annual. Clergymen present 23.

April 16. Second Sunday after Easter. BATTLE CREEK, ST. THOMAS.' Confirmed 23, P. M., in private 1; evening in the Church, 1.

April 17. Evening. STURGIS, ST. JAMES' Mission. Confirmed 3. I remonstrated with the people on the limited subscriptions. Their Minister should have better support, and they should furnish it. Missionary funds are not rightly used when the people do not do their part.

April 17. Administered the Holy Communion.

April 19. Wednesday. GRAND RAPIDS. Confirmed a sick woman for Grace Church.

April 20. Thursday evening. IONIA, ST. JOHN'S Church. Confirmed 9.

April 23. Third Sunday after Easter. ALLEGAN, GOOD SHEPHERD Church. Confirmed 3.

April 28. Friday. GRAND RAPIDS, GRACE. Presided at a missionary meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary.

April 30. Fourth Sunday after Easter. BENTON HARBOR, HOLY TRINITY. Confirmed 3. P. M., ST. JOSEPH, EPIPHANY Mission. Confirmed 4. There is no effort made to build on the lot.

May 1. Monday. NILES, TRINITY. Confirmed 27. There is a healthful tone of encouragement with Rector and people.

May 7. Fifth Sunday after Easter. PETOSKEY, EMMANUEL. Confirmed 7.

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May 8. Monday. MANCELONA, NATIVITY Mission. Confirmed 1.

May 11. Ascension Day. AKELEY INSTITUTE. Confirmed 4 pupils; evening, St. John's, confirmed 5.

May 14. Sunday after Ascension Day. BIG RAPIDS, ST. ANDREW'S. Confirmed 13.

May 16. Tuesday. CHARLOTTE, GRACE. Confirmed 8 who had been prepared by the kind attentions of Rev. Lewis Brown who presented them. It is painful that the youth especially will lack the pastoral care they should have, and are in a sectarian Sunday School.

May 21. Whitsunday. LUDINGTON, GRACE. A. M., confirmed 9. P. M., 2 in private. Evening, preached. Through the influence of a zealous but inexperienced Deacon, a Guild room was erected; it remains unfinished and with a mortgage of $500.

May 22. Monday in Whitsun week. MANISTEE, HOLY TRINITY. Evening, confirmed 10.

May 24. Wednesday. HASTINGS, EMMANUEL. Evening was present at the closing service of the annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary.

May 28. Trinity Sunday. MARSHALL, TRINITY. Confirmed 21. With no growth from without the Parish has uniformly a good class for confirmation.

June 4. First Sunday after Trinity. GRAND HAVEN, AKELEY INSTITUTE. A. M., assisted in the service at St. JOHN'S Church, when the chaplain delivered an admirable Baccalaureate. Evening addressed the pupils in the chapel.

June 5. Monday. The Commencement. Many friends of Akeley were present, though not as many as would have been had a later day in the week been selected. The Rev. J. N. McCormick most kindly came to our assistance, when almost at the last hour the appointed speaker failed us, and met the occasion in a way that could not be surpassed. Six young ladies were graduated.

SUNDRY MEETINGS.

During the year I have attended sundry meetings, etc., as follows:

DIOCESAN BOARDS.

Board of Missions.—1898, June 2, 23; September 8; November 8; 1899, January 17; April 11, 12, 24; May 23; June 6. (10).

The Association of the Diocese and the Board of Trustees.—1898, June 2; September 5; December 22. 1899, May—(3)

Parishes, Vestries, Officers.—1898, August 28, Charlevoix, Christ; November 1, Grand Rapids, Trinity; December 4, Mendon, St. Paul's; December 18, South Haven, Epiphany;

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1899, January 1, Greenville, St. Paul's; January 30, Grand Rapids, St. John's; April 17, Sturgis, St. James; May 14, Big Rapids, St. Andrew's (2); May 12, Grand Rapids, St. Paul's. (9.)

The Clericus. 1898, September 20, December 1; 1899, January 12, February 8, March 9. (5.)

The Examination of Candidates.—September 27; November 9. (2.)

Akeley Institute. 1898, June 14, Trustee Meeting; June 15, Baccalaureate Sermon; June 15, Commencement; November 1, All Saints' Day; December 2, Trustee Meeting; 1899, March 15, ditto; March 22, ditto; April 3, Conference; April 14, Trustee Meeting; April 25, Committee; June 5, Commencement; February 15, Ash Wednesday. (12.)

Committee of Conference on Legislation. 1898, December 9, Detroit; 1899, January 19, Lansing. (2.)

The Board of Corrections and Charities.—Meetings 1898, June 9, July 20, 21, 27; Prison Boards (2), September 28, 29, November 4. 1899, January 4, 20. February 9, March 2, April 20, May 24. (15.)

Visits to Institutions.—1898, July 21, Northern Asylum; August 15, September 12; 13, Upper Peninsula Hospital; September 14, U. P. Prison; September 16, Reformatory and House of Correction, Asylum for Criminal Insane; September 22, Michigan Home for the Epileptic and Feeble-minded; September 23, School for the Deaf; September 29, School for the Blind; Industrial Home for Boys; November 17, Michigan Asylum for Insane; November 20, Reformatory and House of Correction (Sunday); November 24, School for the Deaf, (Thanksgiving); December 7, 8, Bay City Annual Conference and Convention; December 25, Industrial Home for Girls (Christmas). 1899, February 24, Michigan Asylum for Insane; April 20, Michigan State Prison; May 29, Industrial Home for Girls. (19.)

SUMMARY.

Baptized Infants, 2; Adults, 6	
Married	1
Buried	1
Preached	97
Addresses delivered, not including confirmation	21
Children's services and addresses	25
Celebrated the Holy Communion	43
Confirmed in 20 Parishes, 13 Missions and 1 other place	338
Organized Parishes visited, 43; Missions, 32; other places, 1. Visited once, 20; twice, 18; three times, 15; four times, 16; seven times, 1. Total number of visitations	70

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Clergymen received	3
Clergymen Ordained	2
Clergymen transferred	1
Clergymen in the Diocese accepting and changing Parishes and resigning Parishes	6
Services participated in	133
Visits to Schools and Colleges	21
To State institutions, 19; institutions at home, 1	20
To Jails, 21; and Poor Houses, 5	26
Visits and services outside the Diocese	1

GEORGE D. GILLESPIE,
Bishop of Western Michigan.

VISITS OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

1898. December 7, Bay City, Trinity Church, addressed the Woman's Auxiliary of the Convocation.

October 5–25. Washington, D. C., the General Convention. Attended the sessions of the Convention and the Board of Missions and sundry meetings of Church societies.

LAY READERS.

Holding license to Easter, 1900.

Charles A. Stevenson, Grace, Holland, January 30, 1889.

Horatio B. Lewis, St. Paul's, Elk Rapids, May 25, 1892.

St. Quentin H. Williams, Emmanuel, Petoskey, February 7, 1896.

J. M. Watson, Grace Mission, Charlotte, April 24, 1897.

P. C. Miller, St. Paul's, Grand Rapids, May 3, 1899.

F. I. H. Leland, Epiphany Mission, South Haven, May 17, 1899.

William H. Tibbs, Trinity, Grand Rapids, November 11, 1898.

William I. Reithard, St. Luke's, Kalamazoo, June 17, 1897.

Charles W. Wilkes, Good Shepherd, Allegan, February 9, 1892.

William H. Webb, St. John's, Grand Rapids, September 28, 1898.

POSTULANTS.

D. Charles White, Hobart College, September 4, 1895.

William H. Webb, received from Milwaukee, November 4, 1898.

CANDIDATES FOR DEACON AND PRIESTS ORDERS.

Eben Perry Sturgis Miller, Seabury Hall, Middle Class, January 12, 1898.

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ORDAINED.

December 11, 1898, Third Sunday in Advent, in St. James' Mission, Sturgis, ordered Deacon, Norman Harrison, presented by the Rev. J. W. Bancroft.

October 2, 1898, Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, in Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, Chilton Rupert Stearns, ordered Priest, presented by the Rev. J. W. Bancroft.

LETTERS DIMISSORY ACCEPTED.

The date is that of the acceptance by the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

September 17, 1898. The Rev. Chilton Rupert Stearns, deacon, from the Ecclesiastical Authority of Michigan, appointed in charge of Trinity Church, Grand Rapids.

November 12, 1898. The Rev. Thomas Hinds Cuthbert, from the Ecclesiastical Authority of Milwaukee. Entered on his duties as Rector of St. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids, October 2, 1898.

May 5, 1899. The Rev. Thomas Beeson, from the Ecclesiastical Authority of Milwaukee. Entered on his duties as Missionary, St. Paul's, Greenville, February 1, 1899.

CHANGES IN THE DIOCESE.

October 6, 1898. The Rev. Jeremiah E. Walton, became Rector of Trinity Church, Marshall, entering on his duties November 1, 1898.

April 19, 1899. The Rev. Arthur H. Locke, resigned St. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids, to take effect May 1, 1899.

June —, 1899. The Rev. William E. Wright, resigned charge of St. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids.

November 9, 1898. The Rev. Sidney Beckwith was elected Rector of Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, entering on his duties November 13, 1898.

September 30, 1898. The Rev. Herman Playford Vicborn, resigned St. James' Church, Albion, terminating his services October 2, 1898; and held services in Christ Church, Homer, to February 12, 1899, when he became missionary at Dowagiac and Cassopolis.

September 1, 1898. The Rev. John Newton Rippey, M. D., terminated his services at Greenville, and took charge of the Mission at Mt. Pleasant, becoming resident March 25, 1899.

October 30, 1898. The Rev. Chilton Rupert Stearns, resigned charge of Trinity Church, Grand Rapids.

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MISSIONS ORGANIZED.

September 3, 1898. The Epiphany, South Haven.

CONSECRATION OF A CHURCH.

June 29, 1898. The Nativity, Mancelona.

September 11, 1898. Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity, St. Paul's, Muskegon.

FUNDS RECEIVED AND SUBSCRIBED.

For Akeley Institute:

THE THREE THOUSAND DOLLAR FUND.

Thomas Hume, Muskegon	$ 700 00
Miss R. L. Richmond, Grand Rapids	600 00
Friends of Akeley	500 00
Daniel Scotten, Detroit	300 00
Mrs. Betsey A. Palmer, Pontiac	300 00
David Henning, Chicago	200 00
Mrs. Marion H. Fowler, Colorado	200 00
Mrs. Anna M. Fox, Grand Rapids	150 00

PROVISIONAL.

Miss Anna M. Beeson, Niles	150 00
Mrs. Augusta C. Walker, Orange, N. J.	75 00
Misses Cammann, New York	40 00
Mrs. T. J. O'Brien, Grand Rapids	10 00
Miss M. W. Hess, Grand Rapids	10 00
Mrs. Samuel L. Fuller, Grand Rapids	10 00
Frederic C. Miller, Grand Rapids	15 00
St. Mark's, Grand Rapids	10 00
Mrs. A. F. Stewart, Mendon	5 00
Mrs. H. S. Smith, Schoolcraft	2 00
Annie W. Nock, Glassboro, N. J.	10 00
	$3287 00

The Confirmees' Fund:

From June 1, 1898 to June 1, 1899	$ 84 25

For a Chapel at Paw Paw Lake:

From Rev. D. W. Dresser, Champaign, Illinois	$ 6 10

NOTICES OF CLERGY DEPOSED.

May 10, 1898. William J. Hamilton, Deacon, by the Bishop in charge of Northern California, "he having renounced the ministry in writing."

June 29, 1898. The Rev. Henry Augustus Skinner, by the Bishop of Dallas.

August 7, 1898. Ralph H. Baldwin, by the Bishop of Michigan, "having declared his renunciation."

August 7, 1898. J. Spencer Turner, Jr., by the Bishop of New York, "having abandoned the communion of the Church and declared his renunciation."

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September 25, 1898. The Rev. Edward L. Buckey, by the Bishop coadjutor of Rhode Island, "because of his voluntary renunciatian of the ministry, and entrance into the Roman communion."

November 22, 1898. Rev. Ernest Wilfred Brown, Deacon, by the Bishop of Nebraska, "at his written request."

April 6, 1899. Jesse B. Harrison, by the Bishop of Alabama.

September 4, 1898. Charles A. Hayden, by the Bishop of Fond du Lac, "having renounced the ministry."

December 6, 1898. Rev. George Herbert Bailey, by the Bishop of West Missouri.

January 17, 1899. Alfred H. Tyrer, Deacon, by the Bishop of Laramie, "he having renounced the ministry in writing."

January 24, 1899. The Rev. Kenneth Sylvan Guthrie, Ph. D., by the Bishop of Pennsylvania. "His renunciation was not occasioned by foregoing misconduct or irregularity, but was voluntary, and for causes in no way affecting his moral character."

February 27, 1899. The Rev. John Franklin Ballantyne, by the Bishop of Massachusetts, "having declared his renunciation in writing."

February 21, 1899. Robert L. Nicol, by the Bishop of New York.

R. Beverley Arden, Deacon, by the Bishop of New York, "for causes not affecting his moral character."

March 17, 1899. A. Jaeger, D. D., by the Bishop of Southern Virginia. "I approved the judgment of the court convened for the trial, and have pronounced sentence according to the judgment of said court."

April 3, 1899. Doroteo Garcia, Deacon, by the presiding Bishop, Provisional Bishop of the Church of Mexico, "having renounced the ministry."

May 20, 1899. C. W. DeLyon Nichols, by the Bishop of New York, "having renounced the ministry."

POSTULANTS AND CANDIDATES DROPPED.

June 8, 1898. William Henry Kelly, from list of candidates for Deacons' and Priests' Orders, by the Bishop of New York.

June 17, 1898. Richard Henry Lane, from list of candidates for Deacon's Orders, by the Bishop of Vermont.

October 1, 1898. J. Perry Worden, Joseph Henry Wigley, from list of candidates for Deacons' and Priests' Orders, by the Bishop of New York.

November 10, 1898. Arthur Mintum Chase, from list of candidates for Deacons' and Priests' Orders, by the Bishop of New York.

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November 21, 1898. Albert Frost Earnshaw, from the list for Deacons' and Priests' Orders, by the Bishop of New York.

December 22, 1898. Myron Augustus Lochman, from the list of candidates for Deacons' and Priests' Orders, Thomas Stockton Lent. William George Jones, from list of candidates for Deacons' Orders, "for causes not affecting their moral character," by the Bishop of New York.

January 3, 1899. Edward Raymond Ames Hiss, from list of candidates for Deacons' and Priests' Orders, by the Bishop of New York.

March 1, 1898. Walter Taylor Marvin, from list of candidates for Deacons' and Priests' Orders, by the Bishop of New York.

April 5, 1899. George Morse P. Bowens, from list of candidates for Deacons' Orders, by the Bishop of Albany.

May 29, 1899. Merton A. Cheeseman, Arvid Reuterdahl, by the coadjutor Bishop of Rhode Island.

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APPENDIX B.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

St. James' Church, Albion, County of Calhoun, 1867.

The Rectorship vacant.
C. H. Daskam, C. B. Lane, Wardens.
C. H. Daskam, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

(From last year's report.)

Congregation, families, 35; adults, 95; children 20; total, 115. Of these, baptized persons, 114. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 74. Communicants, last reported, 74. Names of Parochial Societies: St. Elizabeth's Guild, Woman's Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $55.67; from offertory, $40.21; subscriptions, $222.23; Women's Guilds, $15.00; loan Albion State Bank, $115.00.

Total, $448.11.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's Salary, $285.02; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $121.50.

Total for Parochial objects, $406.52.

For objects within the Diocese—No report.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—No report.

Total of Disbursements, $406.52.
Balance in hand, $41.59.

Due Albion State Bank, $115.00.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $5,000. Indebtedness, floating, $115; (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $36.41; missionary pledges, $5.00). Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 87.

Good Shepherd Church, Allegan, County of Allegan, 1858.

The Rev. William Lucas, Rector (1895).
Charles R. Wilkes, Lay Reader.
William B. Williams, Almeron E. Calkins, Wardens.
Lyman A. Lilly, Secretary.
Frank H. Williams, Treasurer.
Lyman A. Lilly, Superintendent of Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 67; adults, 183; children, 46; total, 229; of these, baptized persons. 194. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; adults, 3; total, 4. Confirmed during the year, 3. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 140. Communicants: admitted, 3; received, 1; total added, 4. Removed, 2; dropped, 5; total lost, 7. Present number male,

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40; female, 100; total, 140. Of these, communing during the year, 113. Marriages, 3. Burials, 8. Public services, Sundays, 90; holy days, 18; week days, 56; total, 164. Holy Communion, public, 20; private, 2. Sunday School; teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 6; total, 9. Pupils, male, 36; female, 50; total, 86; average attendance, 60. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of volumes, Parish library, 22; S. S. library, 300. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid Society, Altar Guild, Woman's Auxiliary. Have held several missionary services in Homer; number of times, 10,

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $3.34; envelope system, $874.33; loan, $175.00; Women's Guilds, $150.00; Sunday School, $80.00; other sources, $247.96.

Total, $1,530.63.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $7.51; for the Rector's salary, (paid to June 1, 1899), $900.00; for other salaries, $120.00; for repairs on the church and rectory, $26.89; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $47.65; the increase and improvement of church property, $175.00; by the Sunday School, for itself, $25.00. Total for Parochial objects, $1,302.05.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $50.00; Assessment of the Convention, $52.53; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $9.25; services for deaf mutes, $5.00; Bishop's trust fund, $2.80; by the Sunday School, (for Diocesan missions, $30.00, included in above $50.00); Akeley Institute Confirmees' fund, $3.25.

Total for Diocesan objects, $122.83.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $8.55; foreign missions, $3.80; Bible and common prayer book societies, $3.00; Societies for the conversion of Jews, $1.00; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $30.00; by the Sunday School, for foreign and domestic missions, $50.00; Seamen's Aid Society, $21.75.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $105.75.

Total of Disbursements, $1,530.63.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $5,500; rectory, $1,500; total, $7,000. Indebtedness, floating, $100, (of this due the Diocese on assessment none). Salary of the Rector $900 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $4,000; rectory, $1,000; total, $5,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, 250.

Bishop's Address, pages 69, 80, 83.

St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek, County of Calhoun, 1842.

The Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D., Rector (1894).
Hon. George Willard, Dr. A. T. Metcalf, Wardens.
F. C. Stillson, Secretary.
F. C. Stillson, Treasurer.
Rev. Lewis Brown, B. D., Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 200; adults, 490; children, 290; total, 780; of these, baptized persons, 640. Baptized during the year, infants, 15; adults, 11; total, 26. Confirmed during the year, 31. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 380. Communicants last reported, 350; admitted, 31; received, 1; total added, 32. Died, 8; removed, 5; dropped, 11; total lost, 24. Present number male, 99; female, 259; total, 358. Of these, communing during the year, 340. Marriages, 11. Burials, 18. Public services, Sundays, 147; holy days, 86; week days, 40; total, 273.

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Holy Communion, public, 80; private, 30. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 12; total, 15. Pupils, male, 40; female, 80; total, 120; average attendance, 80. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of volumes, Parish and Sunday School library, 165. Subscribers to Church Helper, 15. Names of Parochial Societies: Parish Aid, Sanctuary Guild, Daughters of the King, Young Ladies' Hospitality Chapter, Choir Guild, St. Andrew's Brotherhood. Have held 12 missionary services in Grace church, Charlotte, and in South Battle Creek.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $47.69; from offertory, $350.00; pew rents, $1,679.00; subscriptions, $302.49; overdrafts for expense, $174.75; Legacies, $950.00; to meet Diocesan assessment, $266.97; Woman's Auxiliary money, not box values, $67.00; Women's Guilds, $458.89; Young People's Guilds, $48.00; Children's Guilds, $5.00; Sunday School, $60.92; other sources, $309.11. Total, $4,719.82.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $72.68; for the Rector's salary, $1,800.00; for other salaries, $240.00; for insurance, $118.80; for repairs on the church and rectory, $200.00; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $381.85; the increase and improvement of church property, $1,000.00; paid on indebtedness, $500.00; by the Sunday School, for itself, $10.92.

Total for Parochial objects, $4,324.25.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $75.00; assessment of the convention, $166.97; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $14.79; services for deaf mutes, $9.56; Woman's Auxiliary, Diocesan Missions, $2.00; Bishop's trust fund, $11.67; by the Sunday School for Diocesan missions, $25.00. Total for Diocesan objects, $304.99.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $60.00; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $25.00; Maine memorial fund, $5.58. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $90.58.

Total of Disbursements, $4,719.82.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $21,000; chapel, $4,000; lot for Parish House, $2,500; rectory, $3,000; total, $30,500. Salary of the Rector, $1,800 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $12,000; rectory, $1,500; total, $13,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 400; of these, free, 100; rented, 300.

Bishop's Address, pages 65, 82, 83.

REMARKS.

During the year, by the bequest of Mrs. A. S. Havens, the mortgage of $500.00 was paid, and a new porch built in front of the church. Another bequest, when the estate of Mrs. Jane Wakelee is settled, will give us a fine property worth $10,000 in the middle of the city for a Parish House.

St. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids, County of Mecosta, 1873.

The Rev. Wm. E. Wright, Rector, (1894.)
C. F. Stearns, J. W. Nesbitt, Wardens.
Joe Yoe, Secretary.
James Smith, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

(From September 1st to June.)

Congregation, last year's report, families, 24; adults, 130; children, 75; total, 205. Of these baptized persons, 150. Baptized during the

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year, infants, 3; adults, 6; total, 9. Confirmed during the year, 14. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 80. Communicants, admitted, 14; total added, 14. Died, 1; removed, 15; dropped, 19; total lost, 35. Present number male, 11; female, 47; total, 58. Of these, communing during the year, 50. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Public services, Sundays, 47; holy days, 14; week days, 5; total, 60. Holy Communion, public, 25. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 6; total, 7. Pupils, male, 25; female, 32; total, 57; average attendance, 35. Catechising, number of times, 10. Subscribers to Church Helper, 9. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid, St. Andrew's Guild, Altar Guild. Have held services in 34th Regiment M. V. I., during five months as chaplain.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

(From Easter to Easter.)

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $47.68; envelope system, $115.15; subscriptions, $42.08; income from investments, $134.40; Women's Guilds, $151.51.

Total, $490.82.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $6.30; for the Rector's salary, $91.82; for other salaries, $67.50; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $75.68; back salary $189.95. Total for Parochial objects, $431.25.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $11.57; assessment of the convention, $35.51; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $2.51.

Total for Diocesan objects, $49.59.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions, (the General Board of Missions), $8.58.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese $8.58.

Total of Disbursements, $489.42.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,500; rectory, $1,400. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, page 84.

St. Mark's Church, Coldwater, County of Branch, 1848.

The Rev. Herbert Sowerby, Rector, (1895.)
N. P. Loveridge, Alf. Milnes, Wardens.
C. D. Randall, Secretary.
E. R. Root, Treasurer.
H. P. Woodward, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 130; adults, 282; children, 73; total, 355. Baptized during the year, infants, 4; total, 4. Confirmed during the year, 4. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 167. Communicants, last reported, 162; admitted, 4; received, 4; total added, 8. Died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3. Present number male, 46; female, 121; total, 167. Of these communing during the year, 100. Marriages, 2. Burials, 10. Public services, Sundays, 142; holy days, 23; week days, 77; total, 242. Holy Communion, public, 73; private, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 7; total, 10. Pupils, total, 75; average attendance, 51. Catechising, number of times, 44. Number of volumes, S. S. library, 353. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Parish Aid, St. Agatha's Guild, Woman's Auxiliary and Junior, Brotherhood of St. Andrew and Junior, Y. P. S. C. E.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $15.32; from offertory, $393.34; pew rents, $936.65; subscriptions, $770.00; loan, $148.12; Diocesan assessment, $43.50; Woman's Auxiliary, money, not box values, $20.70; Sunday School, $64.66; other sources, for missions, $100.85.

Total, $2,493.14.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to April 1st), $1,083.34; for insurance, $35.00; for repairs on the church, $97.96; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $236.63; paid on indebtedness, $631.67; by the Sunday School for itself, $35.87.

Total for Parochial objects, $2,120.47.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, from Parish, $60.00; assessment of the convention, $63.03; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $9.43; services for deaf mutes, $5.00; Bishop's trust fund, $5.25; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $10.00.

Total for Diocesan objects, $152.71.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, Alaska, $4.00; foreign missions, $14.67; Societies for the Conversion of Jews, $2.50; Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $20.70; by the Sunday School, for General missions, $15.00. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $56.87.

Total of Disbursements, $2,330.05.

Balance in hand, S. S. $3.79; Parish, $159.30; total, $163.09.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $14,000; chapel, $2,700; total, $16,700. Indebtedness, floating, due the Diocese on assessment, $80.39. Salary of the Rector, $1,000. Insurance, on the church, $8,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 300, of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, page 82.

St. Paul's Church, Elk Rapids, County of Antrim, 1870.

The Rev. Thomas H. Cuthbert, Rector, (1898.)
H. B. Lewis, Lay Reader.
H. B. Lewis, Jos. Butler, Wardens.
R. W. Bagot, Secretary.
C. D. Towne, Treasurer.
C. D. Towne, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 43; adults, 119; children, 62; total, 181. Of these, baptized persons, 160. Baptized during the year, infants, 5; adults, 6; total, 11. Confirmed during the year, 8. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 75. Communicants, last reported, 64; admitted, 9; received, 5; total added, 14. Died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7. Present number male, 23; female, 48; total, 71. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 80; holy days, 10; week days, 21; total, 111. Holy Communion, public, 53; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 4; total, 7. Pupils, male, 37; female, 44; total, 81; average attendance, 50. Subscribers to Church Helper, 4. Names of Parochial Societies: St. Andrew's Brotherhood, Woman's Guild, St. Margaret's Guild, St. Agnes Guild. Have held five missionary services in Charlevoix.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $11.51; from offertory, $149.43; envelope system, $317.50; Women's Guilds, $75.00; Sunday School, $78.63; other sources, $159.79. Total, $791.86.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to May 31, 1899), $400.00; for other salaries, $26.00; for insurance, $60.00; for repairs on the church and rectory, $44.11; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $75.90; paid on indebtedness, (am't due at last convention, $50.00), $50.00; interest, $6.67; for the Sunday School, from the vestry, $2.78; by the Sunday School, for itself, $30.85; Parish Endowment Fund, $4.00. Total for Parochial objects, $700.31.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $15.00; assessment of the convention, $7.67; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $7.68; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5.00; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $10.00. Total for Diocesan objects, $45.35.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General Missions, $2.55; Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies, $1.85; Societies for the Conversion of Jews, $2.32; by the Sunday School, for General missions, $37.78. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $44.50.

Total of Disbursements, $790.16.

Balance in hand, $1.70.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $5,000; investments, $17.71; total, $5,017.71. Indebtedness, floating, $130.64. Salary of the Rector, $600. Insurance, on the church, $2,500; other property, $500; total, $3,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, pages 65, 81, 83.

REMARKS.

The present Rector came to the Parish, October 2, 1898. The clerical report includes his services for eight months in addition to services held by Rev. C. D. Atwell, during July and August, 1898.

St. John's Church, Grand Haven, County of Ottawa, 1866.

The Rev. James Edward Wilkinson, Rector, (1896.)
R. C. Duryea, W. F. Biggar, Wardens.
E. Stanton Bliss, Secretary.
Charles Christmas, Treasurer.
Rev. J. E. Wilkinson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families and parts of families, 60; adults, 165; children, 51; total, 216. Of these, baptized persons, 209. Baptized during the year, infants, 10; total, 10. Confirmed during the year, 5. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 120. Communicants, last reported, 132; admitted, 5; received, 2; total added, 7. Died, 2; removed, 12; not found, 5; total lost, 19. Present number male, 41; female, 79; total, 120. Of these, communing during the year, 90. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Public services, Sundays, 149; holy days, 52; week days, 45; total, 246. Holy Communion, public, 78; private, 3. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 6. Pupils, male, 24; female, 23; total, 47; average attendance, 30. Catechising, number of times, 25. Subscribers to Church Helper, 16. Names of Parochial Societies: Women's Guild, Women's Auxiliary, Junior Auxiliary, Altar Society, St. Andrew's Brotherhood.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $40.65; from offertory, $224.91; pew rents, $539.73; Woman's Auxiliary, money, not box values, $34.52; Women's Guilds, $152.27; Sunday School, $26.27; Junior Auxiliary, $18.11; other sources, $108.50. Total, $1,144.96.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to April 19, '99), $600.00; for other salaries, $145.85; for insurance, $33.50; for repairs on the church and rectory, $4.90; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $56.45; note and interest, $76.64; by the Sunday School, for itself, $13.86. Total for Parochial objects, $931.20.

For objects within the Diocese--Diocesan missions, $35.00; assessment of the convention, $54.27; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $10.05; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.97; Akeley Institute confirmee fund, $5.00.
Total for Diocesan objects, $106.29.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic Missions, J. A., $10.33; foreign missions, W. A., $6.32; foreign, J. A., $1.10; societies for the Conversion of Jews, $2.22; W. A. Triennial offering, $7.20; Woman's Auxiliary Aid (money) for Indian and Colored schools, $18.00; by the Sunday School, for General missions (Lent), $15.58; Western Seamen's Society, $5.55. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $66.30.

Total of Disbursements, $1,103.79.

Balance in hand, $41.17.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $6,000; chapel, $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250.

Bishop's address, page 78, 84.

REMARKS.

During the past year the parish has suffered severely by removals. The Junior Auxiliary is deserving of notice, it has an average *weekly* attendance of sixty at its meetings and does much work.

St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1836.

The Rev. Jno. Newton McCormick, Rector, (1898.)
Chas. R. Hodge, Assistant Minister.
Wm. R. Shelby, C. G. A. Voigt, Wardens.
A. C. Torrey, Secretary.
Wm. J. Stuart, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, *459; adults, 750; children, 400; total, 1,150. Baptized during the year, infants, 19; adults, 13; total, 32. Confirmed during the year, 25. Confirmed persons in the Parish, *800. Communicants, last reported, *659; admitted, 40; received, 21; total added, 61. Died, 11; removed, 6; dropped, 6; total lost, 23. Present number male and female, *697. Communions made during the year, 2,616. Marriages, 16. Burials, 36. Public services, Sundays, 167; holy days, 68; week days, 128; total, 363. Holy Communion, public, 115; private, 21. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 6, female, 9; total, 15. Pupils, male, 60; female, 110; total, 170; average attendance, 110; Catechising, number of times 25. Subscribers to Church Helper, 50. Names of parochial Societies: Woman's Auxiliary, Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Junior Auxiliary, Daughters of the King, Industrial Band, Helping Hand, Altar Guild, Young Woman's Society. Industrial School, 75 pupils. Have held missionary services in St. Matthew's, St. John's and St. Paul's, city.

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THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $119.46; from offertory, $3,071.71; pew rents, $6,585.42; individual gifts, $296.47; income from investments, $1,075.00; overdraft, $430.82; Woman's Auxiliary, money, not box values, $160.00; Men's Guilds, $25.00; Women's Guilds, Young People's Guilds and Children's Guilds, $788.00; Sunday School, $156.00; other sources, $648.44. Total, *$13,356.32.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $516.01; for the Rector's salary, (paid to date), $3,875.00; for other salaries, (including choir master), $2,114.02; for insurance, $113.75; for rent of rectory, $819.17; for repairs on the church and rectory, $399,44; for music, $1,117.05; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $1,274.18; by Parish Guilds, for benevolences and church decorations, etc., $813.00; for charities, hospitals, city missions, etc., $389.15; by the Sunday School, for itself, $106.00.

Total for Parochial objects, $11,536.77.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, $900.00; assessment of the convention, $555.06; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $40.00; services for Deaf Mutes, (not reported); Woman's Auxiliary, Diocesan missions, $15.00; Bishop's Trust Fund, $14.56.

Total for Diocesan objects, $1,524.62.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions, (the General Board of Missions), $83.46; Societies for the Conversion of Jews, $6.47; Woman's Auxiliary for general missions in pledges, etc., $145.00; by the Sunday School, for General missions, $50.00.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $294.93.

Total of Disbursements, *$13,356.32.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church and chapel, $65,000; balance due on sale of rectory, $——. Indebtedness, floating, $2,000; secured, $1,500. Salary of the Rector, $3,000 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $13,500; other property, $4,500; total, $18,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 1,100; all pews subject to rental.

Bishop's address, pages 80, 82, 83.

REMARKS.

*The Rector believes the number of communicants, etc., to be overestimated. By the next Convention he hopes to be able to present an exact report, giving correct statistics to date.

*The fiscal year of the Parish has been changed from March 1 to June 1, in order to correspond with the Convention year. The financial statistics therefore cover 15 months instead of 12; a proportionate reduction should be made.

Grace Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1875.

The Rev. R. H. Fortescue Gairdner, Rector, (1897.)

Mr. Jacob Kleinhans, Chancellor of the Diocese, Wm. H. Raiguel, Wardens.

Frederick C. Stratton, Secretary.

Burton Laraway, Treasurer.

The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 175. Baptized during the year, infants, 20; adults, 1; total, 21. Confirmed during the year, 25. Communicants,

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last reported, 301; admitted, 25; total added, 25. Died, 5; dropped, 19; total lost, 24. Present number male and female, total, 302. Of these, communing during the year, 225. Marriages, 6. Burials, 10. Public services, Sundays, 148; holy days, 24; week days, 81; total, 253. Holy Communion, public, 92; private, 7. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 5; female, 16; total, 21. Pupils, male, 80; female, 120; total, 200; average attendance, 150. Catechising, number of times, 23. Names of Parochial Societies: The Ladies' Aid Society, Grace Church Guild, St. Agnes' Guild, St. Catherine's Guild, St. Mary's Guild, St. Anne's Guild, St. Margaret's Guild, The Altar Guild, St. Elizabeth's Guild, Guild of the Little St. Agnes, Guild of the Little St. Mary, Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Held missionary services in Cassopolis and Dowagiac.

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THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $20.71; from offertory, $1,053.32; subscriptions, $2,085.75; Woman's Auxiliary, money, not box values, $19.00; Women's Guilds, $647.09; Sunday School, $306.45; other sources, (note discounted at bank), $275.00. Total, $4,407.08.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to April 1st, 1899), $1,200.00; for other salaries, $204.00; for insurance, $110.10; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $797.08; the increase and improvement of church property, $10.00; paid on indebtedness, $785.00; interest, $835.91; by the Sunday School, for itself and church, $184.73.
Total for Parochial objects, $4,126.82.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $127.12; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $25.00; Church Parochial Society, $8.62. Total for Diocesan objects, $160.74.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid (money) for Foreign missions, $19.00.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $19.00
Total of Disbursements, $4,306.56.

Balance in hand Sunday School, $96.72; Church, $3.80—Total, $100.52.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $24,492.63; rectory, $4,500; total, $28,992.63. Indebtedness, secured, $14,040. Salary of the Rector, $1,200 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $10,000; rectory, $1,500; total, $11,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, $600.00; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, page 82.

St. Paul's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1899.

Rectorship vacant.
Phillip C. Miller, Lay Reader.
Thomas Brinton, F. E. Donohue, Wardens.
Gaius Mitchell, Secretary.
F. E. Donohue, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 125; adults, 200; children, 100; total, 300. Of these, baptized persons, 150. Baptized during the year, infants, 11, total, 11. Confirmed during the year, 4. Confirmed persons in the

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Parish, 158. Communicants, last reported, 111; admitted, 4: total added, 4. Died, 5; removed, 7; total lost, 12. Present number male, 25: female, 74; total, 99. Of these communing during the year, 60. Marriages, 5. Burials, 8. Public services, Sundays, 109; holy days, 15: week days, 24; total, 148. Holy Communion, public, 18. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 8; total, 11. Pupils, male, 52; female, 73; total, 125; average attendance, 45. Catechising number of times, 8. Number of volumes, library, 150. Subscribers to Church, Helper, 2. Names of Parochial Societies: Junior League. Ladies' Aid, Men's Club.

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THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $10.00; from offertory, $90.08; pew rents, $417.50; subscriptions, $151.48; Men's Guilds, $26.82; Women's Guilds, $120.72; Young People's Guilds, $14.52; Sunday School, $20.00.

Total, $851.12.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $639.67; for other salaries, $71.00; for insurance, $30.00; for repairs on the church and rectory, $9.89; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $35.25: paid on indebtedness, $25.10; by the Sunday School, for itself, $36.87.

Total for Parochial objects, $847.78.

For objects within the Diocese—Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.00.

Total for Diocesan objects, $1.00.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.

Total of Disbursements, $848.78.

Balance in hand, $2.34.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000; Parish house, $800; total, $3,800. Indebtedness, floating, $274.23, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $111.14). Salary of the Rector, $700. Insurance, on the Chnrch, $2,500; total, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 250; of these, free, 64; rented, 186.

Bishop's address, page 83.

Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1886.

The Rev. Sidney Beckwith, Rector, (1898.)
W. H. Tibbs, Lay Reader.
W. H. Tibbs, W. R. Jano, Wardens.
R. D. Teele, Secretary.
W. H. Tibbs, Treasurer.
W. H. Tibbs, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 25. Confirmed during the year, 7. Communicants, last reported, 142. Not found, 77. Present number male and female, total, 65. Of these communing during the year, 52. Marriages, 2. Public services, Sundays, 84; holy days, 4; week days, 5; total, 93. Holy Communion, public, 10; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4; total, 5. Pupils, male, 8; female, 12; total, 20. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Auxiliary, Trinity Church Guild, St. Ann's Guild.

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THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $12.08; from offertory, $110.29; envelope system, $197.29; subscriptions, $35.81; Women's Guilds, $49.00; Young People's Guilds, $1.23; Sunday School, $10.86; other sources, $24.10.

Total, $440.66.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—The Rector's salary, $241.85; for other salaries, $16.84; for interest on loan, $98.25; for repairs on the church and rectory, $8.06; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $56.99; the increase and improvement of church property, $1.00; paid on indebtedness, $10.00; by the Sunday School, for itself, $2.43.

Total for Parochial objects, $435.42.

For objects within the Diocese—No Report.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.

Total of Disbursements, $435.42.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $6,000. Indebtedness floating, about $500, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $99.24. Secured, $1,600. Insurance, on the church, $2,000; other property, $1,000; total, $3,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 350.

Bishop's address, pages 67, 79, 80.

Emmanuel Church, Hastings, County of Barry, 1863.

The Rev. Charles D. Atwell, Rector, (1897.)
Henry A. Goodyear, David G. Robinson, Wardens.
Marcus W. Riker, Secretary.
Joseph A. Van Arman, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

(Last year's report.)

Congregation, families, 103; adults, 178, children, 110; total, 288. Baptized during the year, infants, 10; adults, 9; total, 19. Confirmed during the year, 16. Communicants, last reported, 134; admitted, 16; received, 1; total added, 17. Present number male, 29; female, 122; total, 151. Marriages, 5. Burials, 6. Public services, Sundays, 150; holy days, 12; week days, 100; total, 262. Holy Communion, public, 72; private, 4. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 11; total, 15. Pupils, male, 34; female, 50; total, 84. Catechising, number of times, 50. Subscribers to Church Helper, 27. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Society, St. Agnes Guild, Young People's Society, Altar Guild. Have held missionary services in Charlotte, 5 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $122.04; the envelope system, $837.95; individual gifts, $45.00; Women's Auxiliary, (money only, not box values,) $50.00; Women's Guilds, $237.33; the Sunday School, $27.50; other sources, $45.89. Total, $1,365.71.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to June 11th, 1899), $900.00; for other salaries, $130.00; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $80.48; for the Sunday School, $70.00.

Total for Parochial objects, $1,180.48.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $25.00; assessment of the Convention, $76.08; Bishop's Trust Fund, $6.65; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $5.00:

Total for Diocesan objects, $112.73.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid, $50.00; by the Sunday School, Easter offering to General missions, $22.50.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $72.50.

Total of Disbursements, $1,365.71.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $9,000; Chapel, $2,000; total, $11,000. Indebtedness, floating, $100. Secured, $675. Salary of the Rector, $900. Insurance, on the church, $3,000; other property, $1,000; total, $4,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 300; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, page 82.

REMARKS.

The present Rector has resigned to take effect the second Sunday after Trinity, June 11th, 1899.

Grace Church, Holland, County of Ottawa, 1868.

The Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, D. D., Rector, (1896.)
C. A. Stevenson, Lay Reader.
J. M. Mitchell, W. R. Stevenson, Wardens.
A. R. Lewis, Secretary.
W. R. Stevenson, Treasurer.
Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 35; adults, 87; children, 24; total, 111. Baptized during the year, infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed during the year, 1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 56. Communicants, last reported, 54; admitted, 1; received, 3; total added, 4. Died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3. Present number male, 13; female, 40; total, 53. Of these communing during the year, 51. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 98; holy days, 6; week days, 12; total, 116. Holy Communion, public, 16; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4; total, 5. Pupils, male, 9; female, 16; total, 25; average attendance, 15. Subscribers to Church Helper, 5. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid Society, Altar Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $18.44; from offertory, $151.59; subscriptions, $333.00; individual gifts, $5.00; Women's Guilds, $133.00; Sunday School, $8.91; other sources, $10.00. Total, $659.94.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not other-

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wise reported), $.52; for the Rector's salary, (paid to June 1st, 1899), $516.69; for other salaries, $48.00; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $25.87; by the Sunday School, for itself, $4.64.

Total for Parochial objects, $595.72.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the Convention, $37.24; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $8.14; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.39; Akeley Institute, Bishop's Confirmee's Fund, $4.75.

Total for Diocesan objects, $54.52.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for General missions, $2.20.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $2.20.

Total of Disbursements, $652.44.

Balance in hand, $7.50.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500. Indebtedness, floating, $25.00. Salary of the Rector, $500. Insurance, on the church $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings 150; of these free, all.

Bishop's address, page 83.

REMARKS.

The completion of an electric railway during the year 1899, will enable the Rector at Holland to reach Saugatuck for occasional services.

Christ Church, Homer, County of Calhoun, 1841.

Rectorship vacant.
David B. Kirby, A. A. Gurlinghouse, Wardens.
Charles D. Burt, Secretary.
Henry Martin, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

No report.

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THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $20.90; subscriptions, $84.20. Total, $105.10.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $84.20; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $20.90.

Total for Parochial objects, $105.10.

For objects within the Diocese—No Report.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,000.00. Insurance, on the church, none. All seats free.

Bishop's address, page 82.

REMARKS.

The Rev. H. P. Vicborn officiated on Sundays, up to October 1, 1898. Since then no services have been held, and the Sunday School is discontinued.

St. John's Church, Ionia, County of Ionia, 1842.

The Rev. William H. Thomas, D. D., Rector.
James Vosper, E. T. Montgomery, Wardens.
H. E. Spencer, Secretary.
C. W. Parsons, Treasurer.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 120; adults, 223; children, 102; total, 325. Baptized during the year, infants, 6; adults, 3; total, 9. Confirmed during the year, 9. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 207. Communicants last reported, 177; admitted, 10; received, 1; total added, 11. Died, 2; removed, 3; total lost, 5. Present number, male, 57; female, 150; total, 207. Marriages, 8. Burials, 13. Public services, Sundays, 137; Holy days, 6; week days, 68; total, 211. Holy Communion, public, 17. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 15; total, 19. Pupils, male, 43; female, 70; total, 113. Average attendance, 75. Catechising, number of times, 3. Subscribers to Church Helper, 8. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid, Altar Guild, Christian Endeavor, Woman's Auxiliary. Have held Missionary services in Lyons, 23 times.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $31.16; from offertory, $295.75; envelope system, $1170.06; individual gifts, $168.08; Woman's Auxiliary (money, not box values), $26.65; Women's Guilds, $125; Young People's Guilds, $28.69; Sunday School, $64.66; Junior Auxiliary, $5; other sources, $3.50; vestry, note (1st), $400; vestry, note (2d), $350. Total, $2668.55.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $16.82; for the Rector's salary, $1730.18; for other salaries, $127.57; for insurance, $6.75; for repairs on the Church, $10.15; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $231.01; paid on indebtedness, $150; by the Sunday School, for itself, $30.95.

Total for parochial objects, $2303.43.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, $84.32; assessment of the convention, $105.63; fund for aged and infirm Clergymen, $3.43; Bishop's trust fund, $3.07.

Total for Diocesan objects, $196.45.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid (money) for general missions, $25; by the Sunday School for General Missions (Lenten offering), $21.26; Junior Auxiliary, Bishop Gillespie Scholarship, Tokio, $5; Woman's Auxiliary, United Offering, $1.65.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $52.94.

Total of disbursements, $2552.82.

Balance in hand, $115.73.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $10,000; Chapel, $500; total, $10,500. Indebtedness, floating, $65; secured, $1761.33. Salary of the Rector, $1300. Insurance on the Church and contents, $7,000; other property, $500; total, $7,500. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 325, of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page 83.

St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, County of Kalamazoo, 1837.

The Rev. Robert R. Claiborne, Rector, (1892.)
W. T. Reithard, Lay Reader.
J. Davidson Burns, David Fisher, Wardens.
Frank P. Johnston, Secretary.
Edmond S. Rankin, Treasurer.
Rev. Robt. R. Claiborne, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 230. Baptized during the year, infants, 12:

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adults, 10; total, 22. Confirmed during the year, 11. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 500. Communicants, last reported, 420; admitted, 11; received, 7; total added, 18. Died, 14; removed, 16; dropped, 8; total lost, 38. Present number male, 70; female, 330; total, 400. Marriages, 7. Burials, 30. Public services, Sundays, 160; holy days, 41; week days, 85; total, 286. Holy Communion, public, 70; private, 5. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 11; total, 15. Pupils, male, 60; female. 67; total, 127; average attendance, 90. Catechising, number of times, 17. Subscribers to Church Helper, 37. Names of Parochial societies: Woman's Auxiliary, Woman's Guild, Chancel Guild, Benevolent Guild, Guild of Hospitality, Choir Guild, St. Luke's Choir, Girls' Friendly Society.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, General Fund, $142.06; on hand at last report, Woman's Guild, $32.24; from offertory, $1,330.28; envelope system, $2,236.87; subscriptions, $200.00; income from investments. $749.14; Woman's Guild, $709.72; Sunday School, $92.34; Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, $123.50. Total, $5,616.15.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $123.50; for the Rector's salary, (paid to June 1, 1899), $1,800.00; for other salaries, $1,728.74; for insurance, $14.00; for repairs on the church and rectory, $54.07; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $628.48; Woman's Guild, for supplies, material for work, etc., $218.90; by the Sunday School, for itself, $46.37.

Total for Parochial objects, $4,614.06.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions. $200.00; assessment of the Convention, $251.48; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $40.80; services for Deaf Mutes, $10.00; Woman's Auxiliary, $19.85; Bishop's Trust Fund, $19.26; permanent Diocesan mission fund, $50.00.

Total for Diocesan objects, $591.39.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $27.56; foreign missions, $35.02; missions for Colored people, $17.38; Woman's Auxiliary Aid (money) for general purposes, $169.83; by the Sunday School, for General missions, $45.97; Woman's Guild, for Foreign missions, $20.00. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese. $315.76.

Total of Disbursements, $5,521.21.

Balance in hand, General Fund, $31.56.

Balance in hand, Woman's Guild, $63.38.

Total, $94.94.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $50,000; parish house, $37,000; rectory, $6,000; sexton's house, $2,000; investments, $21,710.56; total, $116,710.56. Salary of the Rector, $1,800 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $20,000; rectory, $20,000; other property, $14,000; total, $36,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings. 700; of these, free, all.

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Grace Church, Ludington, County of Mason, 1873.

The Rev. Wm. Westover, Rector, (1897.)
E. J. Brown, Thomas Haley, Wardens.
Fayette Johnson, Secretary.
C. S. Burland, Treasurer.
Rev. Wm. Westover, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 29; adults, 65; children, 35; total, 100. Of these, baptized persons, 99. Baptized during the year, infants, 3; adults, 6; total, 9. Confirmed during the year, 14. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 87. Communicants, last reported, 25; admitted, 14; received, 5; total added, 19. Died, 1; total lost, 1. Present number male, 5; female, 29; total, 34. Of these, communing during the year, 30. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Public services, Sundays, 104; holy days, 26; week days, 12; total, 142. Holy Communion, public, 55; private, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 3; total, 4. Pupils, male, 10; female, 30; total, 40; average attendance, 15. Catechising, number of times, 25. Number of volumes, Sunday School library, 120. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Auxiliary. Have held one missionary service in Baldwin.

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THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $44.96; envelope system, $90.92; subscriptions, $86.00; individual gifts, $20.00. Total, $241.88.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $176.92; for other salaries, $25.00; for insurance, $15.00; the increase and improvement of church property, $10.00; paid on indebtedness, $45.00.

Total for Parochial objects, $271.92.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $8.00; assessment of the Convention, $8.40; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.00.

Total for Diocesan objects, $19.40.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions. $3.22.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $3.22.

Total of Disbursements, $294.54.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,500; chapel, $1,000; total, $3,500. Indebtedness, floating, $40; secured, $500. Insurance, on the church, $1,000; other property, $500; total, $1,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

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Holy Trinity Church, Manistee, County of Manistee, 1888.

The Rev. John Sword, Rector, (1898.)
Ellsworth S. Ellis, M. D., Thos. Smurthwait, Wardens.
John L. Sweetnam, M. D., Secretary.
E. S. Ellis, M. D., Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 81; adults, 241; children, 137; total, 378. Of these, baptized persons, 366. Baptized during the year, infants, 12; total, 12. Confirmed during the year, 24. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 193. Communicants, last reported, 200; admitted, 12: received, 8; total added, 20. Died, 1; removed, 13; suspended, 2: not found, 22; dropped, 22; total lost, 60. Present number male, 52; female, 108; total, 160. Of these, communing during the year, 116. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. Public services, Sundays, 149; holy days, 65; week days, 497; total, 711. Holy Communion, public, 385; private, 2.

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Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 6; total, 7. Pupils, male, 25; female, 50; total, 75; average attendance, 60. Catechising, number of times, 50. Subscribers to Church Helper, 5.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $16.37; from offertory, $314.87; envelope system, $519.64; subscriptions, $158.63; Woman's Auxiliary, money, not box values, $210.00; Sunday School, $21.93; other sources, rent, $75.00.
Total, $1,316.44.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion, (not otherwise reported, [$36.96]; for the Rector's salary, (paid to May 31), $365.00; for repairs on the church and rectory, $48.44; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $302.89; interest on loans, $239.86; loans, $220.00. Total for Parochial objects, $1,176.19.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $23.23; assessment of the Convention, arrears paid, ($28.88), $89.57; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $5.00; Bishop's Trust Fund, $12.78.
Total for Diocesan objects, $130.58.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.
Total of Disbursements, $1,306.77.
Balance in hand, $9.67.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $9,000; rectory, $1,400. Indebtedness, floating, $75; secured, $4,000. Salary of the Rector, $400 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; rectory, $1,000; total, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 300; of these, free, all.
Bishop's address, page 84.

Trinity Church, Marshall, Calhoun County, 1834.

The Rev. J. E. Walton, Rector.
J. M. Parsons, George Perrett, Wardens.
W. J. Dibble, Superintendent of the Sunday School.
J. M. Parsons, Secretary.
W. J. Dibble, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 113. Baptized during the year, infants, 17; adults, 7; total. 24. Confirmed during the year, 21. Communicants last reported, 205; admitted, 4; received, 21; total added, 25. Present number, male and female, 230. Marriages, 5. Burials 9. Public services, Sundays, 76; holy days, 4; week days, 46; total, 126. Holy Communion, public, 12; private 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female 9; total, 12. Pupils, male, 38; female, 65; total, 103. Average attendance, 75.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

(Easter, 1898 to Easter 1899.)

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $638.08; from offertory, $306.43; envelope system, $1230.20; subscriptions, $78.56; income from investments, $311.95; mortgages paid, $1850.00; Sunday School, $170.86. Total, $4,586.08.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to May 1, 1899), $1,000; for other salaries, $197.27; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $28.75; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $162.41; poor of Parish, $32.92; invested in bond and mortgage, $1803.33; by the Sunday School, for itself, $45.10.

Total for Parochial objects, $3269.78.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, $75; assessment of the convention, $85.22; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $16.98; by the Sunday School, for the aged and infirm clergy, $3.35.

Total for Diocesan objects, $180.55.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General Missions, $17.60; American sufferers, $2.50; Priory farm, $2.50; societies for the conversion of Jews, $6.61; general clergy relief fund, $6.48; by the Sunday School, for Missions, $130. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $165.69.

Total of Disbursements, $3616.02.

Balance in hand, $970.06.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $12,000; Rectory, $3,400; investments, $7,327.84; total, $22,727.84. Indebtedness, none. Salary of the Rector, $1,000 and rectory. Insurance on the Church, $8,500; Rectory, $2,600; other property, $200; total, $11,300. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 450, of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, page 84.

St. Paul's Church, Muskegon, County of Muskegon, 1867.

The Rev. George Forsey, Rector (1898).
William Heap, William K. Gordon, Wardens.
George Lovelace, Secretary.
Thomas Hume, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 138. Baptized during the year, infants, 5; adults, 2; total, 7. Confirmed during the year, 15. Communicants last reported, 209; admitted, 15; received, 5; total added, 20. Died, 1; removed, 6; total lost, 7. Present number, 222. Marriages, 4. Burials, 17. Public services, Sundays, 104; Holy days, 2; week days, 16; total, 122. Holy Communion, public, 12. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 8; total, 10. Pupils, male, 40; female, 60; total, 110. Average attendance, 50. Catechising, number of times, 52. Subscribers to Church Helper, 9. Names of Parochial societies: Women's Society, Altar Guild, St. Andrew's Brotherhood.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $155.72; from offertory, $532.19; pew rents, $1,432; subscriptions, $195.48; individual gifts, $20,175; income from investments, $137; sale of property, $3,500; Woman's Guild, $249.92; Altar Guild, $102.25; Sunday School, $139.85; Choir Guild, $56.06; Communion Alms, $60.40. Total, $26,735.87.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $60.40; for the Rector's salary, $1,100; for other salaries,

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$499.40; for insurance, $14; for repairs on the Church and Rectory, $14.45; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $238.25; Woman's Guild on rectory debt, $362.20; the increase and improvement of Church property, $112.60; paid on indebtedness, $23,850; Altar and Choir Guilds, $158.31; by the Sunday School, for itself, $124.69.

Total for Parochial objects, $26,534.30.

For objects within the Diocese--Diocesan Missions, $50; assessment of the Convention, $92.61; fund for aged and infirm Clergymen, $14.71; Bishop's trust fund, $8.27; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan Missions, $5. Total for Diocesan objects, $170.59.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $8.52; foreign missions, $6.53; societies for the conversion of Jews, $2.55; by the Sunday School, for General Missions, $10.16.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $27.76.

Total of Disbursements, $26,732.65.

Balance in hand, $3.22.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $60,000; parish house, $6,000; rectory, $5,000; total, $71,000. Indebtedness, secured, $3,600. Salary of the Rector, $1,200 and rectory. Insurance, on the Church, $10,000; rectory, $5,000; other property, $3,700; total, $18,700. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 750; of these, free, 350; rented, 400.

Bishop's address, page 79, 82, 83.

St. Paul's Church, Mendon County, 1867.

No report.

Bishop's Address, page 80.

Trinity Church, Niles, County of Berrien, 1834.

The Rev. Frederick Hall, Rector, (1898.)
John H. Richardson, Lewis H. Beeson, Wardens.
A. W. Silsbee, Secretary.
George E. Flower, Treasurer.
Lewis H. Beeson, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 130; adults, 300; children, 100; total, 400. Of these, baptized persons, 350. Baptized during the year, infants, 3; adults, 6; total, 9. Confirmed during the year, 27. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 260. Communicants, last reported, 130. Present number male, 35; female, 140; total, 175. Of these, communing during the year, 175. Marriages, 5. Burials, 16. Public services, Sundays, 120; holy days, 33; week days, 33; total, 186. Holy Communion, public, 30; private, 5. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 5; female, 10; total, 15. Pupils, male, 50; female, 61; total, 111; average attendance, 62. Subscribers to Church Helper, 15. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild, Woman's Auxiliary, St. Mary's Guild, St. Margaret's Guild, St. Elizabeth's Guild, St. Agnes' Guild. Have held services in Cassopolis, number of times, 7.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $23.69; from offertory, $366.58; pew rents, $797.43; subscriptions, $154.00; Woman's Auxiliary, money, not box

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values, $21.00; Woman's Guild, $443.41; Young People's Guilds, $15.00; Sunday School, $66.37. Total, $1,887.48.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $33.07; for the Rector's salary, (paid to June 1st, 1899), $916.67; for other salaries, $244.87; for insurance, $39.20; for repairs on the church and rectory, $289.71; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $75.79; interest on debt, $48.80; paid on indebtedness, (amount due at last convention, $610), $25.00; by the Sunday School, for itself, $26.37. Total for Parochial objects, $1,699.48.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $40.00; assessment of the Convention, $60.13; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $14.32; Woman's Auxiliary, Diocesan missions, $10.00; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.82; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $10.00.

Total for Diocesan objects, $139.27.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $7.08; Foreign missions, (the General Board of Missions), $5.85; Societies for the Conversion of Jews, $1.00; by the Sunday School, for General missions, $29.55. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $43.48.

Total of Disbursements, $1,882.23.

Balance in hand, $5.25.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $15,000; rectory, $3,000; total, $18.000. Indebtedness, floating, $52.10; secured, $585. Salary of the Rector, $1,000, and rectory, Insurance, on the church, $5,000; rectory, $2,000; other property, $1,000; total, $8,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 500; free, and rented.

Bishop's address, page 83.

All Saints' Church, Saugatuck, County of Allegan, 1868.

Rectorship vacant.
Alfred B. Taylor, John Priest, Wardens.
Alfred B. Taylor, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 24; adults, 44; children, 33; total, 77. Communicants, last reported, 25. Died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4. Present number male, 6; female, 15; total, 21. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 5; total, 5. Holy Communion, public, 3. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $10.00; individual gifts, $5.00; Women's Guilds, $14.00. Total, $29.00.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For repairs on the church, $13.75.

Total for Parochial objects, 13.75.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $3.60; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $1.40; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.00. Total for Diocesan objects, $9.00.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.

Total of Disbursements, $22.75.

Balance in hand, $6.25.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000. Insurance, on the church, $1,500. Capacity of

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the church building, whole number of sittings, 300; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, page 78.

Grace Church, Traverse City, County of Grand Traverse, 1877.

The Rev. Chas. T. Stout, Rector, (1898.)
E. L. Sprague, Wm. D. Turner, Wardens.
H. C. Davis, Secretary.
H. C. Davis, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 44; adults, 121; children, 66; total, 187. Of these, baptized persons, 155. Baptized during the year, infants, 11; adults, 7; total, 18. Confirmed during the year 14. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 81. Communicants, last reported, 57; admitted, 24; total added, 24. Died, 1; removed, 5; dropped, 2; total lost, 8. Present number male, 15; female, 58; total, 73. Marriages, 2. Public services, Sundays, 144; holy days, 8; week days, 54; total, 206. Holy Communion, public, 53; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 5; total, 8. Pupils, male and female, total, 50. Catechising, number of times, 50. Number volumes, Sunday School library, 89. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Auxiliary, Grace Church Guild, Junior Workers. Have held missionary services in Central Lake and in East Jordan as shown by reports in those missions.

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THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $.74; from offertory, $252.26; envelope system, $616.53; individual gifts, $392.00; Woman's Auxiliary, money, not box values, $21.12; Women's Guilds, $96.07; Young People's Guilds, $58.81; Sunday School, $39.71. Total, $1,477.24.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $20.00; for the Rector's salary, $871.08; for insurance, $17.00; for repairs on the church, $19.95; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $98.15; the increase and improvement of church property, $300.71; for the Sunday School library by Junior Workers, $38.81; by the Sunday School, for itself, $23.10.

Total for Parochial objects, $1,388.80.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $22.50; assessment of the Convention, $20.72; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.92; Woman's Auxiliary, Diocesan missions, $2.50; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.25; Woman's Auxiliary, Contingent Fund, $1.40; church at Central Lake, $5.50. Total for Diocesan objects, $56.79.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $5.41; Woman's Auxiliary Aid (money) for missions, $8.51; by the Sunday School, for General missions, $16.61.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $30.53.
Total of Disbursements, $1,476.12.
Balance in hand, $1.12.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000. Indebtedness, floating, Missionary Pledges, $8.30. Salary of the Rector, $800. Insurance, on the church, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

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ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

St. Matthew's Church, Baldwin, County of Lake, 1879.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary (1894).
R. J. Matthews, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 6; adults, 14; children, 12; total, 26. Of these baptized persons, 20. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 6. Communicants last reported, 7; dropped, 3; of these communing during the year, 4. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 1; week days, 2; total, 3. Subscribers to Church Helper, 1. Name of Parochial society: Christian Endeavor.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $32.81. Other sources, rent and interest, $35.00. Total, $67.81.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $2.00. Total for Parochial objects, $2.00.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, $5.
Total for Diocesan objects, $5.00.
Total of Disbursements, $7.00.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $600; rectory, $400. Indebtedness—missionary pledges, $5.50. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 100; of these, free, all. Bishop's address, page —.

As there is no resident minister in the town, it would seem wise to have at least one Sunday in the month set apart for Baldwin.

Holy Trinity Church, Benton Harbor, Berrien County, 1882.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Missionary (1892).
George I. Falkingham, Warden.
Mrs. George Bell, Secretary.
William Hamilton, Treasurer.
M. S. Woodruff, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 41; adults, 109; children, 31; total, 140; of these, baptized persons, 136. Baptized during the year, infants, 2; total, 2. Confirmed during the year, 4. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 92. Communicants last reported, 79; admitted, 4; received, 3; total added, 7. Died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4. Present number, male, 22; female, 60; total, 82. Of these, communing during the year, 66. Marriages, 6. Burials, 6. Public services, Sundays, 102; Holy days, 4; week days, 20; total, 126. Holy Communion, public, 15. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 3; total, 4. Pupils,

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male, 9; female, 16; total, 25. Average attendance, 18. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number of volumes in Sunday School library, 220. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Names of Parochial societies: Guild of Holy Trinity Church, Girls' Guild of Holy Trinity Church, Boys' Department of Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Have held missionary services in Paw Paw and Dowagiac; number of times, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $69; subscriptions, $142; individual gifts (side walk), $30; Woman's Auxiliary (money, not box values), $6; Sunday School, $20. Total, $267.00.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), $13.59; for the Rector's salary (no pledge given), $165.25; the increase and improvement of Church property, cement sidewalk, $30; by the Sunday School, for itself, $15.

Total for Parochial objects, $223.84.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, $3.25; assessment of the convention, $10; fund for aged and infirm Clergymen, $2.20; services for deaf mutes, 90 cents; Woman's Auxiliary, contingent fund, $1; Bishop's trust fund, $4.25. Total for Diocesan objects, $21.60.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2.68; foreign missions, $2.75; Woman's Auxiliary Aid (money) for general missions, $5; by the Sunday School, for general missions, $5.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $15.43.

Total of Disbursements, $260.87.

Balance in hand, $6.13.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $3,500. Indebtedness, floating, due the Diocese on assessment, $11.31. Missionary pledges, $8.75. Rector's salary, not fixed. Insurance, on the Church, $1,800. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address page 83.

St. James' Mission, Cassopolis, Cass County, 1891.

The Rev. H. P. Vicborn, Priest in charge (1899).
Willis D. Hopkins, Warden.
Mrs. Bertha McCutcheon, Secretary.
Willis D. Hopkins, Treasurer.
Willis D. Hopkins, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 11; adults, 20; children, 16; total, 37; of these, baptized persons, 31. Communicants last reported, 20; received, 3; removed, 8; total lost, 8. Present number, male, 4; female, 11; total, 15. Of these, communing during the year, 10. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 24. Holy Communion, public, 3. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 3; total, 4. Pupils, male, 7; female, 10; total, 17. Average attendance, 20. Name of Parochial society: Ladies' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $32.44; from offertory, $8.82; subscriptions, $17.25; Women's Guilds, $13; Sunday School, $3.50. Total, $75.01.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary (paid to May 15th), $42.25; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $12.03; for the Sunday School, from Vestry, etc., $3.46.
Total for Parochial objects, $57.74.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $4.79.
Total for Diocesan objects, $4.79.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for general missions, $3.50. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $3.50.
Total of Disbursements, $66.03.
Balance in hand, $8.98.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Chapel, rented. Indebtedness—missionary pledges, $5. Salary of the Rector, $150. Insurance on property, $125. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 60; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, page 67.

St. Matthias' Church, Central Lake, Antrim County, 1893.

The Rev. Charles T. Stout, Rector (1898).
Samuel Crampton, Warden.
Miss Loretta Ison, Secretary.
Miss Loretta Ison, Treasurer.
Mrs. Eugene Hall, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 48; children, 28; total, 76; of these, baptized persons, 35. Baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed during the year, 2. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 13. Communicants last reported, 10. Present number, male, 1; female, 6; total, 7. Public services, week days, 24; total, 24. Holy Communion, public, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, female, 4. Pupils, total, 22. Name of Parochial society: Church Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $14.55; subscriptions, $49.21; individual gifts, $25; Women's Guilds, $14.64. Total, $103.40.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's expenses, $36.45; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $7.58; the increase and improvement of Church property, $44.80; paid on interest, $10.50.
Total for Parochial objects, $99.33.

For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, $1.56.
Total for Diocesan objects, $1.56.
Total of Disbursements, $100.89.
Balance in hand, $2.51.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,200. Indebtedness, floating, $80. Secured, $300. Capacity of the Church building, whole number of sittings, 100; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, pages 79–83.

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Christ Church Mission, County of Charlevoix, 1887.

The Rev. J. W. Armstrong, Priest in charge, (1896.)
E. H. Green, Warden.
E. H. Green, Superintendent of Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 29; children 51; total, 80. Baptized during the year, infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed during the year, 3. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 36. Communicants, last reported, 35; admitted, 3; total added, 3. Died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4. Present number male and female, total, 34. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 9; week days, 13; total, 22. Holy Communion, public, 6; private, 1. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 5; total, 6. Pupils, male, 19; female, 31; total, 50; average attendance, 36. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Guild, Junior Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $101.47; Women's Guilds, $80.42; Sunday School, $26.64; other sources, $12.46. Total, $220.99.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For other salaries, $13.12; for insurance, $21.25; the increase and improvement of church property, $118.87; by the Sunday School, for itself, $25.00.
Total for Parochial objects, $178.24.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $22.43; services for deaf mutes, $5.46; Bishop's trust fund, $2.40; Episcopal fund, $5.46.
Total for Diocesan objects, $35.75.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions, (the General Board of missions), $5.36; by the Sunday School, for missions, $1.64.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $7.00.
Total of Disbursements, $220.99.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,900. Indebtedness, floating, $204.10. Insurance, on the church, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, pages 79.

Grace Church, Charlotte, County of Eaton, 1888.

J. W. Watson, Lay Reader.
George Fuller, Secretary.
C. B. Lamb, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 30; adults, 3. Of these, baptized persons, 20. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2. Communicants last reported, 34. Removed, 2; dropped, 2; total lost, 4. Present number male and female, 30. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 50. Holy Communion, 5. Subscribers to Church Helper, 7.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $206.53; from offertory, $8.40; subscriptions,

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Ladies' Guild, $30.00; individual gifts, concert, $10.00; loaned by C. B. L. for organ fund, $45.38. Total, $300.31.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—Balance due to Treasurer, $38.16; for Rector's salary, (paid to Mr. Bancroft), $30.00; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $35.35; W. W. Kimball Co., organ, $182.80.
Total for Parochial objects, $286.31.
For objects within the Diocese—Bishop's Trust Fund, $8.40.
Total for Diocesan objects, $8.40.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—Bible and Common Prayer book societies, $5.60.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $5.60.
Total of Disbursements, $300.31.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

Bishop's Address, page 84.

Epiphany Church, Coopersville, County of Kent, 1877!

No. Report.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $400.

Bishop's address, page —.

REMARKS.

This mission is practically defunct. The church building remains.

St. Alban's Church, Dowagiac, County of Cass.

The Rev. H. P. Vicborn, Priest in charge, (1899.)
Col. T. W. Cosgrove, Warden.
Charles E. Sweet, Secretary.
Will G. Elliott, Treasurer.
Rev. H. P. Vicborn, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families and parts of same, 17. Communicants, present number male, 4; female, 19; total, 23. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 12; week days, 1; total, 13. Holy Communion, public, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 4; total, 6. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild, Young Ladies' Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $16.79; from offertory, $14.81; subscriptions, $40.25; Sunday School, $6.01. Total, $77.86.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $50.00; for other salaries, $4.20; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $5.10. Total for Parochial objects, $59.30.
For objects within the Diocese— No Report.

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For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for General missions, $6.01.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese $6.01.
Total of Disbursements, $65.31.
Balance in hand, $12.55.

Salary of the Rector, $300.

Bishop's Address, pages 67.

Redeemer Church, East Jordan, County of Charlevoix, 1887.

The Rev. Chas. T. Stout, Missionary, (1898.)
W. Asa Loveday, Warden.
Mrs. George Bowen, Secretary.
Mrs. D. C. Loveday, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 12; adults, 28; children, 10; total, 38. Of these baptized persons, 32. Baptized during the year. infants, 5; total, 5. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 19. Communicants, last reported, 15. Present number male, 5; female, 10; total, 15. Public services, week days, 23; total, 23. Holy Communion, public, 4.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $5.14; from offertory, $26.73; subscriptions, $4.25. Total, $36.12.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's expenses, $27.45.
Total for Parochial objects, $27.45.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $2.00; Akeley Institute, $4.25. Total for Diocesan objects, $6.25.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.
Total of Disbursements, $33.70.
Balance in hand, $2.42.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500. Insurance, on the church, $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 100; of these, free, all.

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St. John's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1892.

William H. Webb, Lay Reader.
W. E. Mills, Warden.
S. C. Rickman, Secretary.
S. C. Rickman, Treasurer.
S. C. Rickman, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 18; adults, 29; children, 15; total, 44. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; adults, 5; total, 6. Confirmed during the year, 9. Communicants, last reported, 33. Died, 1; total lost, 1. Present number male and female, total, 32. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 94; week days, 44; total, 138. Holy Communion, public, 6. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 3;

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total, 5. Pupils, male and female, 40; total, 40. Catechising, number of times, 45.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

(For year ending April 3, 1899.)

On hand at last report, $11.38; from offertory, $57.67; envelope system, $104.15; Women's Guilds, $130.37; Altar Society, $38.61; Sunday School, $38.75; other sources, $40.75. Total, $421.68.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to W. H. Webb), $200.00; for other salaries, $18.02; for insurance, $34.00; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $33.62; interest, $125.50.
Total for Parochial objects, $411.14.
For objects within the Diocese—Assessment of the convention, arrears paid, ($6.93), $6.93. Total for Diocesan objects, $6.93.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.
Total of Disbursements, $418.07
Balance in hand, $3.61.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $4,000. Indebtedness, floating, $0.77, (of this due the Diocese on assessment, $0.77); secured, $2,450. Salary of the Lay Reader, $260. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; other property, (furniture) $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, pages 79, 82.

St. Matthew's Church, Grand Rapids, County of Kent.

(Taken from last year's report.)

James Ellis, Warden.
Ralph Treat, Secretary.
Wm. H. Meech, Treasurer.
Mrs. J. Warner, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

No Clerical Report.

No Financial Report.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000. Indebtedness, secured, $1,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150.

Bishop's address, page 68.

St. Paul's Church, Greenville, County of Montcalm, 1887.

The Rev. Thos. Beeson, Missionary, (1899.)
John Avery, Warden.
George Herbert Chandler, Secretary.
Albert B. Thoms, Treasurer.
The Rector, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families and parts of families, 31; adults, 68; children, 25; total, 93. Of these, baptized persons, 90. Confirmed persons in the

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Parish, 71. Communicants, last reported, 51; admitted, 1; total added, 1. Died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2. Present number male, 14; female, 35; total, 49. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 50; holy days, 6; week days, 19; total, 75. Holy Communion, public, 8; private, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 2; total, 4. Pupils, male, 12; female, 18; total, 30; average attendance, 20. Number of volumes, Sunday School library, 268. Subscribers to Church Helper, 5. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $1.36; from offertory, $91.24; subscriptions, $229.90; individual gifts, $4.00; alms at Holy Communion, $4.47; Woman's Guild, $32.00; Sunday School, $6.50; Sunday School, Lenten offering, $3.25; other sources, $4.50. Total, $377.22.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to J. N. Rippey and Thos. Beeson), $195.00; for other salaries, $32.80; for repairs on the church, $10.06; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $94.77; paid on indebtedness, (am't due at last convention, $78.10), by the Sunday School, for itself, $4.49.

Total for Parochial objects, $337.12.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $4.50; assessment of the convention, arrears paid, ($4.50), $24.68; Bishop's Trust Fund, $4.47. Total for Diocesan objects, $33.65.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for General missions, $3.25.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $3.25.

Total of Disbursements, $374.02.

Balance in hand, (Sunday School, $2.01;) $3.20.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500, total, $1,500. Indebtedness, floating; $17.45. Salary of the Rector, $300. Insurance, on the church, $800; other property, $200; total, $1.000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 170; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, pages 67, 81.

REMARKS.

The present missionary commenced his services February 1st, 1899.

St. Beda's Mission, Grand Rapids, County of Kent, 1893.

The Rev. A. W. Mann, Priest in charge.
No officers reported.
No Clerical Report.
No Financial Report.

Bishop's address, page 70.

REMARKS.

This mission is for deaf mutes; the membership has been much reduced by removals. The Rev. Mr. Mann comes once in about six weeks.

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St. John's Church, Harbor Springs, County of Emmet, 1883.

The Rev. Wm. Elmer, in charge during the summer of 1898.
The organization temporarily in abeyance.
No Clerical Report.
The congregation consists of summer residents from all sections of the country.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $139.28. Total, $139.28.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the services of officiating clergymen, $70.00; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $29.15.
Total for Parochial objects, $99.15.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $22.80.
Total for Diocesan objects, $22.80.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $17.33.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $17.33.
Total of Disbursements, $139.28.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,500. Insurance, on the church, $2,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, page 68.

St. Andrew's Church, Hart, County of Oceana, 1897.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1897.)
H. J. Servis, Warden.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 20; children, 10; total, 30. Of these, baptized persons, 15. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 7. Communicants, last reported, 8. Removed, 3; total lost, 3. Present number male, 1; female, 4; total, 5. Public services, week days, 2; total, 2. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

Individual gifts, $2.50.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—No Report.
For objects within the Diocese—No Report.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.
Disbursements none. Balance in hand, $2.50.
Bishop's address, page —.

REMARKS.

The money on hand is the beginning of a fund for the purchase of property. Hart continues to grow and the missionary should have one Sunday in the month to devote to this mission.

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Christ Church, Luther, County of Lake, 1896.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1896.)
Wm. G. L. Vincent, Warden.
Mrs. Geo. Osborne, Secretary and Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 25; children, 10; total, 35. Baptized during the year, adults, 2; total, 2. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 24. Confirmed during the year, 2. Communicants, last reported, 23; admitted, 2; total added, 2. Removed, 3; not found, 2; total lost, 5. Present number male, 5; female, 15; total, 20. Of these, communing during the year, 15. Marriages, 1. Public services, Sundays, 16; total, 16. Holy Communion, public, 7. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $15.00; subscriptions, $20.00. Total, $35.00.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $3.94; paid on indebtedness, (amount due at last convention, $27.38), $20.00. Total for Parochial objects, $23.94.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $8.66; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.40. Total for Diocesan objects, $10.06.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions, (the Board of Missions), $1.00. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.00.
Total of Disbursements, $35.00.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Church, $1,000. Indebtedness, floating, missionary pledges, $28.10. Insurance, on the church and furniture, $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 80; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, page 78.

Grace Church, Lyons, County of Ionia, 1898.

The Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, D. D., Priest in charge.
[From last year's report.]
W. E. Lathrop, Warden.
L. H. Hale, Secretary.
S. H. Webber, Jr., Treasurer.
No Clerical Report.
(Last year's report.) Confirmed persons in the Parish, 26. Communicants, last reported, 26.
No Financial Report.

Bishop's address, page 68.

Church of the Nativity, Mancelona, County of Antrim, 1896.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, General Missionary, (1896.)
Chas. H. Kemp, Warden.
James Andress, Secretary and Treasurer.
Mrs. James Andress, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 30; children, 15; total, 45. Of these, baptized persons, 35. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; total,

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1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 16. Confirmed during the year, 1. Communicants, last reported, 15; admitted, 1; received, 1; total added, 2. Died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2. Present number male, 5; female, 10; total, 15. Of these communing during the year, 12. Public services, Sundays, 15; holy days, 1; week days, 14; total, 30. Holy Communion, public, 9. Sunday School, teachers and officers, female, 4; total, 4. Pupils, male, 10; female, 20; total, 30; average attendance, 15. Catechising, number of times, 5. Number volumes Sunday School library, 75. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $4.90; from the offcrtory, $34.18; subscriptions, $32.99; Woman's Guilds, $25.00; the Sunday School, $4.57; other sources, $10.02. Total, $111.66.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—The increase and improvement of church property, $65.00; paid on indebtedness, (amount due at last convention, $17.95), being amount due on missionary pledges, $17.95; for the Sunday School, $12.00; by the Sunday School, for self support, $2.50.
Total for Parochial objects, $97.45.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $9.06; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.75. Total for Diocesan objects, $10.81.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—American church building fund commission, $1.60; by the Sunday School, for General missions $1.80.
Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $3.40.
Total of Disbursements, $111.66.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,000. Indebtedness, floating, (due the Diocese on assessment, $1.32. Insurance, on the church and furniture, $1,000.

Bishop's address, pages 79, 84.

REMARKS.

The chief difficulty in keeping up the services here, is the distance from the home of the General Missionary, who has paid nearly fifty dollars a year for the privilege of officiating in Mancelona. The Rev. J. W. Armstrong of Petoskey, held four week day services during Lent.

St. John's Church, Mt. Pleasant, County of Isabella, 1886.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, M. D., Rector, (January 1, 1898.)
Alfred L. Hutchinson, Warden.
J. W. Hance, Secretary.
Chester A. Kellogg, Treasurer.
Rev. J. N. Rippey, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 54; adults, 122; children, 42; total, 164. Of these, baptized persons, 133. Baptized during the year, infants, 6; adults, 4; total, 10. Confirmed during the year, 10. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 91. Communicants, last reported, 67; admitted, 12; received, 10; total added, 22. Died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7. Present number male, 11; female, 71; total, 82. Of these communing during the year, 66. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 103;

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holy days, 29; week days, 41; total, 173. Holy Communion, public, 43; private, 5. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 7; total, 8. Pupils, male, 20; female, 28; total, 48; average attendance, 25. Catechising, number of times, 12. Number volumes, Parish and Sunday School library, 107. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Names of Parochial Societies: Ladies' Aid, Altar Guild, Junior Auxiliary. Have held 12 missionary services in Greenville.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $13.42; from offertory, $88.49; envelope system, $316.96; subscriptions, $28.95; individual gifts, $15.00; Women's Guilds, $119.07; Sunday School, $39.90; Altar Guild, $10.00; other sources, $17.25. Total, $649.14.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $469.94; for other salaries, $19.50; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $34.73; the improvement of church property, $17.33; for furnishings by Altar Guild, $8.54; by the Sunday School, for itself, $25.11; by the Sunday School, gift to organist, $2.50.

Total for Parochial objects, $577.45.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $15.00; assessment of the convention, arrears paid, ($5.00), $23.98; fund for aged and infirm clergymen, $4.00; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.57; by the Sunday School, for Diocesan missions, $3.50; Akeley Institute, confirmees' fund, $1.00. Total for Diocesan objects, $49.05.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $2.40; foreign missions, (the General Board of missions), $2.09; missions for Colored people, $1.00; Bible and common prayer book societies, $1.68; by the Sunday School, for missions, (Domestic, $2.85; Foreign, $2.84), $5.69.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $12.86.

Total of Disbursements, $639.36.

Balance in hand, Sunday School, $8.02; Altar Guild, $1.46.

Total, $9.48.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,500; rectory, $1,800; total, $4,300. Salary of the Rector, $600.00 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $1,500; rectory, $1000; total, $2,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, 150.

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St. Luke's Church, Muskegon, County of Muskegon, 1890.

The Rev. George Forsey, Priest in charge.

[Last year's report.]

Alfred Bullock, Warden.
Miss Pearl Decker, Secretary.
Mrs. Adam Pyle, Treasurer.

No Clerical Report.

[Last year's report.]

Confirmed persons in the Parish, 18. Communicants, last reported, 18.
No Financial Report.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,000. Insurance, on the church, $400. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 100.

Bishop's address, page 68.

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St. Mark's Church, Newaygo, County of Newaygo, 1876.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894.)
R. D. Miller, Warden.
Mrs. M. F. Hatch, Secretary.
John Simmons, Treasurer.
E. S. Bennett, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 25; adults, 35; children, 20; total, 55. Of these, baptized persons, 45. Baptized during the year, infants, 2; total, 2; Confirmed persons in the Parish, 40. Communicants, last reported, 35. Present number male 10; female, 25; total, 35. Of these, communing during the year, 25. Public services, Sundays, 5. Holy Communion, public, 3. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 5; total, 7. Pupils, male, 10; female, 25; total, 35; average attendance, 20. Catechising, number of times, 3. Names of parochial societies: Woman's Guild, Young People's League.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $23.90; subscriptions, $40.00; Women's Guilds, $50.00; Young People's Guilds, $10.00; Sunday School, $15.00.
Total, $138.90.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $60.00; for repairs on the church and rectory, $25.00; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $10.00; by the Sunday School, for itself, $10.000.
Total for Parochial objects, $105.00.
For objects within the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for the Bishop, $3.00; Akeley Institute, $0.50. Total for Diocesan objects, $3.50.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.
Total of Disbursements, $108.50.
Balance in hand, $30.40.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,500. Insurance, on the church, $1,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 200; of these, free, all.
Bishop's address, page —.

REMARKS.

Since September there have been no regular services held. A new furnace was put in, and a "Remembrance sale" brought in some money to draw on next year in case of necessity.

St. Mark's Church, Paw Paw, County of Van Buren, 1891.

Mrs. Amanda B. Andrews, Treasurer.

No Clerical Report.

[Last report.]

Confirmed persons in the Parish, 24. Communicants last reported 17

No Financial Report.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,400.

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St. James' Church, Pentwater, County of Oceana, 1877.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894.)
E. E. Pugh, Warden.
M. F. Hyde, Secretary.
M. R. Ewald, Treasurer.
Miss Lizzie Grant, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 40; adults, 45; children, 35; total, 80. Of these, baptized persons, 70. Baptized during the year, infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 50. Communicants, last reported, 50. Died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3. Present number male, 7; female, 40; total, 47. Of these communing during the year, 37. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 22; week days, 1; total, 23. Holy Communion, public, 11. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 2; female, 4; total, 6. Pupils, male, 15; female, 35; total, 50; average attendance, 30. Catechising, number of times, 5. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Names of Parochial Societies: Woman's Guild, Altar Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $50.64; from offertory, $11.45; envelope system, $25.00; subscriptions, $40.00; Women's Guilds, $103.50; Sunday School, $15.25. Total, $245.09.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to March 1st), $40.00; for other salaries, $15.00; for insurance and taxes, $21.91; for repairs on the church and rectory, $8.23; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $19.91; paid on indebtedness, (amount due at last convention, $108.75), $106.77; by the Sunday School, for itself, $7.00. Total for Parochial objects, $218.82.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, (see "Rector's salary); assessment of the convention, $2.17; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.25. Total for Diocesan objects, $4.42.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions, (the General Board of Missions), $1.10; by the Sunday School, for General missions, $5.25. Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $6.35.

Total of Disbursements, $229.59.

Balance in hand, $15.50.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000; rectory, $450. Indebtedness, floating, $28, of this due the Diocese on missionary pledges, $20. Insurance, on the church, $1,000; rectory, $300; total, $1,300. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 100; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, page —.

REMARKS.

The indebtedness on the rectory has been cancelled and the time seems ripe for the Board of Missions to station a missionary at this place.

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Emmanuel Church, Petoskey, County of Emmet, 1887.

The Rev. J. W. Armstrong, Rector, (1897.)
St. Q. H. Williams, Lay Reader.
Ralph Connable, Warden.
C. E. Churchill, Secretary.
St. Q. H. Williams, Treasurer.
Earl M. Brackett, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Baptized during the year, infants, 4; total, 4. Confirmed during the year, 7. Communicants, last reported, 83; admitted, 7; received, 3; total added, 10. Died, 1; removed, 6; not found, 3; total lost, 10. Present number, 83. Of these communing during the year, 7. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3. Public services, Sundays, 148; holy days, 9; week days, 61; total, 218. Holy Communion, public, 56; private, 2. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 4; female, 7; total, 11. Pupils, male and female, 50; average attendance, 40. Catechising, number of times, 26. Number of volumes, Sunday School library, 200. Subscribers to Church Helper, 15. Names of Parochial Societies: The Ladies' Guild, The Woman's Auxiliary. Have held missionary services in Charlevoix and in Mancelona, number of times in each, five: and also in Charlevoix, baptized three and had one private Communion there for the sick.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $6.02; from offertory, $212.48; envelope system, $573.00; subscriptions, Easter special, $100.00; Woman's Auxiliary, money, not box values, $3.00; Women's Guilds on mortgage, $22.33; Sunday School, $35.00; other sources, $8.71. Total, $960.54.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to April 15, 1899), $669.68; for other salaries, $112.00; for insurance, $15.00; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $83.22; interest on mortgage, (Ladies' Guild), $22.33; by the Sunday School, for itself, $30.00.

Total for Parochial objects, $932.23.

For objects within the Diocese—Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $2.00; Bishop's Trust Fund, $5.00.

Total for Diocesan objects, $7.00.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Woman's Auxiliary Aid (money) for sustentation fund, $3.00; by the Sunday School for General missions, $5.00.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $8.00.

Total of Disbursements, $947.23.

Balance in hand, $13.31.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $6,000; rectory, $3,500; total, $9,500. Indebtedness, floating, $95.33, (due the Diocese on assessment, $80.33; missionary pledges, $15.00.) Secured, (rectory), $2,250. Salary of the Rector, $700 and rectory. Insurance, on the church, $2,500; rectory, $1,500; total, $4,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 350 of these, free, 350.

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REMARKS.

NOTE.—During the past year, up to Easter, we received from the Parish, outside friends, Diocese, Guild and others here, $800.00. With this amount we have paid the old indebtedness on the church property.

St. John's Church, Quincy, County of Branch, 1882.

Mrs. Kate Lytle, Treasurer.

No Clerical Report.
Communicants, last reported, 16.
No Financial Report.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,200.

Bishop's address, page 68.

St. James' Church, Rockford, County of Kent, 1880.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894.)
Geo. T. Saunders, Warden.
Mrs. Ida M. Baily, Secretary.
Mrs. Wm. Haskell, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 8; adults, 16; children, 6; total, 22. Of these, baptized persons, 20. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; total, 1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 14. Communicants, last reported, 16. Removed, 1; dropped, 1; total lost. 2. Present number male, 3; female, 11; total, 14. Of these, communing during the year, 12. Public services, Sundays, 15; total, 15. Holy Communion, public, 7; private, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $9.80. Total, $9.80.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, $4.97; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $1.26.
Total for Parochial objects, $6.23.
For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $1.90.
Total for Diocesan objects, $1.90.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.
Total of Disbursements, $8.13.
Balance in hand, $1.67.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $1,500. Indebtedness, floating, (of this due the Diocese on missionary pledges, $12.) Insurance, on the church $500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings 150; of these free, all.

Bishop's address, page 82.

REMARKS.

Services have not been regularly held by the General Missionary since September 1st. The Bishop and the Rev. Richard Mercer have

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supplied services for three Sundays. The financial statement is from September 1st, and does not include an offering sent to the American Church Building Fund Commission.

Church of the Epiphany, South Haven, County of Van Buren, 1898.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1898.)
F. J. H. Leland, Lay Reader.
Herman Haupt, Jr., Warden.
F. J. H. Leland, Secretary.
R. J. Madill, Treasurer.
F. J. H. Leland, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 25; children, 10; total, 35. Of these, baptized persons, 30. Baptized during the year, infants, 1; adults, 2; total, 3. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 25. Confirmed during the year, 4. Died, 1; total lost, 1. Present number male, 8; female, 22; total, 30. Of these, communing during the year, 23. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 21; week days, 2; total, 23. Holy Communion, public, 6. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 3; female, 3; total, 6. Pupils, male, 10; female, 10; total, 20. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $49.89; subscriptions, $54.25; individual gifts, $10.00; the Sunday School, $1.25. Total, $115.39.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to March 1st, 1899), $57.00; for other salaries, $1.00; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $7.89; for furniture and books, $15.00; for rent of hall, $16.00. Total for Parochial objects, $96.89.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan Missions, $5.75; Bishop's Trust Fund, $1.50; special gift to missionary, $10.00.

Total for Diocesan objects, $17.25.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—By the Sunday School, for Domestic missions, $1.25.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.25.

Total of Disbursements, $115.39.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Indebtedness, floating, $25; missionary pledges, $44.25.

Bishop's address, page 82.

REMARKS.

The Sunday School has just been organized and Lay services were started on Whitsun Day. No regular services had been held in South Haven for over fifteen years until September 1, 1898.

St. James' Mission, Sturgis, County of St. Joseph, 1890.

The Rev. Norman Harrison, Missionary, (1898.)
B. K. Putnam, Warden.
Miss Louise Harris, Secretary.
John Lupp, Treasurer.
Rev. N. Harrison, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 47; adults, 63; children, 32; total, 95. Of these, baptized persons, 82. Baptized during the year, infants, 2; total, 2. Confirmed during the year, 3. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 50. Communicants, last reported, 49; admitted, 3; total added, 3. Died, 1; removed, 8; total lost, 9. Present number male, 15; female, 34; total, 49. Of these, communing during the year, 44. Burials, 1. Public services, Sundays, 63; holy days, 8; week days, 40; total, 111. Holy Communion, public, 5. Sunday School, teachers and officers, male, 1; female, 4; total, 5. Pupils, male, 10; female, 15; total, 25; average attendance, 17. Subscribers to Church Helper, 10. Name of Parochial Society: Ladies' Guild. Have held 60 missionary services in Mendon and in Homer 2.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $22.71; from offertory, $38.07; envelope system, $145.38; Women's Guilds, $88.20; other sources, $18.28.

Total, $312.64.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to April 2nd), $193.38; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, (paid by the Guild), $75.00. Total for Parochial objects, $268.38.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, (paid by Guild), $13.20; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $0.60; Bishop's Trust Fund, $2.11. Total for Diocesan objects, $15.91.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions, (the General Board of missions), $2.50; incidentals, $1.25.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $3.75.

Total of Disbursements, $288.04.

Balance in hand, $24.60.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Chapel, $200. Indebtedness, floating, $9.40, (of this due the Diocese on assessment, $ 4.40; missionary pledges, $5.00). Salary of the Rector, $175. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 75, of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, pages 81–83.

St. Paul's Church, St. Joseph, County of Berrien, 1897.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff, Missionary.
R. Gates Rice, Warden.
Maynard Hatch Stuart, Secretary.
Thos. I. Clarke, Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 27; adults, 65; children, 14; total, 79. Of these, baptized persons, 53. Baptized during the year, infants, 2. Confirmed during the year, 3. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 43. Communicants, last reported, 44; admitted, 3; received, 1; total added, 4. Removed, 3; not found, 2; total lost, 5. Present number male, 11; female, 32; total, 43. Of these, communing during the year, 19. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 50; total, 50. Holy Communion, public, 2.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

(From Easter to Easter.)

THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $71.48; envelope system, $75.25; subscriptions, $32.00; for church building, $12.00. Total, $190.73.

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THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to Rev. M. S. Woodruff), $114.00; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, rent, $45.00; express, postage, laundry, etc., $1.75.

Total for Parochial objects, $160.75.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $2.00; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $1.12.

Total for Diocesan objects, $3.12.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Foreign missions, (the General Board of missions), $1.05.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $1.05.

Total of Disbursements, $164.92

Balance in hand, $14.30.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church lot, $800. Indebtedness, floating, $31.38, (of this, due the Diocese on assessment, $13.88; missionary pledges, $17.50.

Bishop's address, page 83.

REMARKS.

The mission owns a lot for a church. Now rents a church.

St. Johannes' Church, Tustin, County of Osceola, 1872.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894.)
N. Nelson, M. Swanson, Wardens.
John Peterson, Secretary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 12; adults, 20; children, 12; total, 32. Of these, baptized persons, 30. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 15; Present number communicants, 10. Public services, Sundays, 1. Holy Communion, public, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

Total, $1.75

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—No Report.
For objects within the Diocese—No Report.
For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.

Total of Disbursements, $1.75.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church and lands, $1,000; investments, $1,100; total, $2,100.

Bishop's address, page —.

REMARKS.

The property is held in trust by Geo. L. Pierce, Grand Rapids, see convention Journal of 1896.

Trinity Church, Three Rivers, County of St. Joseph, 1898.

The Rev. Artemas Wetherbee, Rector, (1897.)
Mrs. G. G. Armitage, Secretary.
Mrs. Geo. G. Armitage, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 28; children, 4; total, 32. Of these, baptized persons, 28. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 19. Communicants, last reported, 26. Removed, 4; not found, 8; dropped 3; total

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lost, 15. Present number male, 1; female, 10; total, 11. Of these, communing during the year, 11. Public services, Sundays, 22; total, 22. Holy Communion, public, 11. Sunday School, teachers and officers, female, 3; total, 3. Pupils, male, 4; female, 8; total, 12; average attendance, 9. Catechising, number of times, 4. Number of volumes, Sunday School library, 110. Subscribers to Church Helper, 6. Name of Parochial society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $32.52; Woman's Guild, $61.66; Sunday School, $14.29. Total, $108.47.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For other salaries, $10.50; or repairs on the church and rectory, $3.72; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $39.90; by the Sunday School for itself, $10.50,

Total for Parochial objects, $64.62.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $27.32; assessment of the Convention, $7.33; Bishop's Trust Fund, $6.20.

Total for Diocesan objects, $40.85.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—General missions, $3.00.

Total of Disbursements, $108.47.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $3,000; investments, $5.30. Insurance, on the church, $2,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 275; of these, free, 275.

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Church of the Redeemer, Whitehall, County of Muskegon, 1891.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894.)
Martin De Mass, Warden.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 15; children, 8; total, 23. Of these, baptized persons, 20. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 15. Communicants, last reported, 20. Not found, 5; total lost, 5. Present number male and female, total, 15. Of these, communing during the year, 9. Public services, holy days, 1. Holy communion, public, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 3.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

On hand at last report, $30.00; from the offertory, $1.25.

Total, $31.25.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $1.25; the increase and improvement of church property, $3.00.

Total for Parochial objects, $4.25.

For objects within the Diocese—No Report.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.

Total of Disbursements, $4.25

Balance in hand, $27.00.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000. Insurance, on the church, $1,000; total, $1,000. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 125; of these, free, all.

Bishop's address, page —.

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REMARKS.

The church is too cold for use in winter and very few services have been held.

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

St. Ann's Mission, Clare, County of Clare.

The Rev. J. N. Rippey, Priest in charge.
Miss Emma Sexsmith, Secretary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families and parts of families, 12; adults, 30; children, 10; total, 40. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 15.

No Financial Report.

Bishop's address, page —.

Mission Church, Cadillac, County of Wexford.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1898.)

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 6; adults, 10; children, 5; total, 15. Of these, baptized persons, 12. Confirmed during the year, 1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 12. Present number communicants, 7. Public services, week days, 2. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2.

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Mission Church, Plainfield, County of Kent.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 6; adults, 10; children, 5; total, 15. Of these, baptized persons, 10. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 10. Present number communicants, 5. Burials, 1. Public services, week days, 1.

No Financial Report.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church and grounds, $1,500. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 100; of these free all.

Bishop's address, page —.

REMARKS.

I have reported this with other mission churches as the Parish appears to be defunct. By a united effort on the part of the community the building has been put in good repair and is now used as a union church. The title is vested in the Bishop of Michigan by a reversionary clause in the deed of Mr. Henry Hall.

Mission Church, Reed City, County of Osecola.

The Rev. Woodford P. Law, Missionary, (1894.)

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 7; adults, 12; children, 6; total, 18. Of these, baptized persons, 16. Confirmed persons in the Parish 12. Communicants, last reported, 7; received, 2; total added, 2. Present number

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male, 2; female, 7; total, 9. Of these, communing during the year, 9. Public services, 1. Holy Communion, public, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 2.

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REMARKS.

A number of communicants here are desirous of having services held by the missionary.

St. Stephen's Church, Schoolcraft, County of Kalamazoo.

The Rev. Artemas Wetherbee, Rector, (1896.)
Mrs. Caroline Duncan, President.
Miss Minnie Munro, Secretary and Treasurer.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, *families, 12; adults, 29; children, 3; total, 32. Of these, baptized persons, 28. Baptized during the year, infants, 2; total, 2. *Confirmed persons in the Parish, 20. Communicants, last reported, 20. Removed, 6; total lost, 6. Present number male, 2; female, 12; total, 14. Of these, communing during the year, 14. Marriages, 2. Public services, Sundays, 44; holy days, 6; total, 50. Holy communion, public, 20. Name of Parochial Society: Woman's Guild.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From offertory, $34.06; subscriptions, $25.00; income from investments, $30.00; Woman's Guild, $52.18. Total, $141.24.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For the Rector's salary, (paid to June 1), $75.00; for other salaries, $10.25; for insurance, $12.85; for repairs on the church, $22.45; for all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $4.99. Total for Parochial objects, $125.54.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $3.00; assessment of the convention, $6.25; fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $1.25; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.00. Total for Diocesan objects, $13.50.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—Domestic missions, $1.10; Foreign missions, (the General Board of missions), $1.10.

Total for objects exterior to the Diocese, $2.20.

Total of Disbursements, $141.24.

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The church, $2,000; investments, $500. Salary of the Rector, $75. Insurance, on the church, $1,100. Capacity of the church building, whole number of sittings, 150; of these, free, 150.

Bishop's address, page 82.

REMARKS.

*Of these, 3 families, and 6 confirmed persons reside in Vicksburg.

Mission Church, Sherman, County of Wexford.

The Rev. W. P. Law, Missionary, (1897.)
F. M. Wall, Warden.

CLERICAL REPORT.

Congregation, families, 12; adults, 15; children, 8; total, 23. Of these, baptized persons, 20. Baptized during the year, infants, 1. Confirmed persons in the Parish, 12. Present number male, 4; female, 4; total,

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8. Of these, communing during the year, 8. Burials, 2. Public services, Sundays, 2; total, 2. Holy Communion, public, 1. Subscribers to Church Helper, 1.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

THE RECEIPTS.

From the offertory, $5.85. Total, $5.85.

THE DISBURSEMENTS.

For objects within the Parish—For all other expenses of Parish maintenance, $1.00. Total for Parochial objects, $1.00.

For objects within the Diocese—Diocesan missions, $1.60; Bishop's Trust Fund, $3.25. Total for Diocesan objects, $4.85.

For objects exterior to the Diocese—No Report.

Total of Disbursements, $4.85.

REMARKS.

A pledge of six dollars per month has been authorized by the men of this mission for one Sunday service in the month. The use of the Congregational Church is offered us. The two funerals reported were conducted by the Rev. A. E. Wells, who kindly ministered to the afflicted.

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APPENDIX C.

Personal, Statistical and Other Reports.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE REV. AUSTIN W. MANN, GENERAL MISSIONARY TO DEAF MUTES IN WESTERN MICHIGAN AND OTHER DIOCESES.

GAMBIER, OHIO, May 15, 1899.

To the Right Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D.,
Bishop of Western Michigan:

During the Conventional year just closed, I officiated for Deaf Mutes at St. Bede's Mission, St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids; St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek; and Holy Trinity Church, Benton Harbor. As in the past, the attendance has been most encouraging. The Battle Creek congregation was made up mostly of those residing at Augusta, Bellevue, Galien, Galesburg and other places. The services and lectures at the Flint school should be reported here as they reach the children whose homes are in Western Michigan. The services at Hillsdale and Jackson were attended by a few from this Diocese.

The Holy Communion was administered at St. Bede's Mission. No baptisms are reported for this Diocese; no confirmations, either, although there are three candidates awaiting in Grand Rapids, and two at Battle Creek. Within the entire Middle-Western Parish nineteen have been confirmed this year.

I gave the Grand Rapids brethren an account of the best known English Cathedrals that I visited two years ago.

The ratio of deaf mutes to those who hear is 1 to 1600; so that they are a scattered and "feeble folk." The loss of an important faculty excludes them from mercantile and other pursuits that bring wealth to the individual. It restricts them to the working classes and small wages. Although out of these wages they give according to ability, they are unable to maintain the Mission themselves. It is necessary, therefore, to ask their hearing fellow Christians to add their offerings to theirs on the twelfth Sunday after Trinity, or the third Sunday in Advent.

RECEIPTS.

Stipend, through Mr. D. G. Robinson	$125 00
Deaf Mute services at Grand Rapids	10 52
Combined service, Benton Harbor	1 63
Combined service, Battle Creek	4 58
Special from St. Luke's, Kalamazoo	10 00
	$151 73

REPORT OF THE REV. CYRUS MENDENHALL, CHAPLAIN STATE HOUSE CORRECTION AND REFORMATORY, IONIA.

The duties at the Reformatory have not changed materially since my last report. The routine work as then described has been improved and systematized in some directions as experience has dictated.

Thousands of cell visits have been made and many private interviews granted. The services held on Sunday mornings, Teachers' meetings,

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Sunday School and Friday evenings have been interesting and we hope profitable to our charges. Our choir consists wholly of inmates, the chorister is a graduate from a well-known conservatory of music, and the pianist was educated in the music schools of Germany. The work done has been efficient and helpful. I enjoy my work and see many things to encourage me in it.

Sunday A. M. we use cards, each man receiving one, containing the services as selected from the Prayer Book. On Friday evening each man is supplied with a Prayer Book which he is allowed to carry to his cell. The responses are heartily and intelligently made, and I find this arrangement better adapted to our requirements than anything that can be improvised. After the service is said the men have an opportunity to read brief papers, or otherwise contribute to the interest of the meeting. In the month of August our Chapel was closed for much needed repairs.

In the winter we had an epidemic of scarlet fever, hence the number of services is less than last year.

I have delivered 37 sermons at the State House of Correction, and 11 addresses and sermons elsewhere. On Sunday evenings, and at other times when possible, have assisted the Rector of St. John's, Ionia. Have officiated at 3 funerals and 1 wedding. In regard to Portland Mission, would say that I hold myself in readiness to serve them in any way that may open.

Death has taken several of our friends from that field; there have been some removals and two or three persons are temporarily absent. This leaves no one but Mr. Bandfield and family, but later some services may yet be held.

I take this opportunity to thank the kind friends in the Diocese who have by their encouraging words and contributions of reading matter helped me in my work. Respectfully submitted,

CYRUS MENDENHALL.

REPORT OF CHAPLAIN OF AKELEY INSTITUTE.

The Chaplain of Akeley Institute respectfully reports that during the school year he has held daily services in the chapel, with the Holy Communion on Thursdays. He has baptized three pupils and presented four for confirmation. The school has contributed to various departments of church work, as will be seen from the following statement.

RECEIPTS.

Gifts, collections, all sources		$61 89

EXPENDITURES.

Diocesan Missions	$ 3 80	
Trust Fund	4 23	
Confirmee Fund	1 50	
J. W. Bancroft, Scholarship, Wuchang, China	40 00	
All Saints' Festival	4 00	
Chapel	8 36	
		$61 89
Box for colored work, value		10 00
Total		$71 89

JAMES EDWARD WILKINSON,
Chaplain.

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STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE GENERAL MISSIONARY.

To the Right Rev. George D. Gillespie, D. D.,
Bishop of Western Michigan:

TOWNS AND MISSION STATIONS. CHURCHES.	SERVICES			BAPTISMS			OFFERINGS							
	Sundays	Week Days	Celebrations	Confirmations	Infants	Adults	Marriages	Burials	Bishop's Trust Fund	Clergy Fund	Domestic Missions	Foreign Missions	General Missions	Diocesan Missions	Special Offerings
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	$ 75
Cadillac	....	2	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Hart, St. Andrew's	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2 50
Luther, Christ	16	....	7	2	....	2	1	....	$ 1 40	....	....	$ 1 00	....	$ 8 66	13 54
Mancelona	15	10	9	1	1	....	....	....	1 75	....	....	....	$ 1 80	13 91	36 72
Newaygo, St. Mark's	5	....	3	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	45 00	2 70
Pentwater, St. James'	22	1	11	....	3	1	....	2	....	$ 2 25	....	1 10	5 25	59 00	....
Plainfield, Christ	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Reed City	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	3 25	....	....	....	....	1 60	50
Sherman	2	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1 50
Rockford, St. James'	9	....	4	1	1	2	....	1	1 50	....	$ 1 25	....	....	55 75	28 00
South Haven, Epiphany	19	2	6	4	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1 25
Whitehall, Redeemer	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Tustin, St. Johannes'	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	75	....
PARISHES.															
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	....	1	1	....	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Holland, Grace	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Totals	89	23	44	8	10	6	1	6	$ 7 80	$ 2 25	$ 1 25	$ 2 10	$ 7 05	184 67	$87 46

In addition to the services reported above, I have assisted the Rector of Grace Church, Grand Rapids, several times and made a memorial address at St. John's Church, Grand Rapids.

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TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE GENERAL BOARD OF MISSIONS, DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

For the year ending June 1, 1899.

PLACE	PARISH	Domestic Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Objects	Total Cash	BOXES	
						Number	Value
Allegan	Good Shepherd	$ 25 75	$ 4 25	.....	.....	.....	.....
Benton Harbor	Holy Trinity	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Battle Creek	St. Thomas'	43 75	11 25	.....	.....	.....	.....
Coldwater	St. Mark's	13 00	.....	.....	.....	3	$142 74
Coldwater Junior Auxil'ry	St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	21 49
Grand Haven	St. John's	18 00	6 32	.....	.....	1	20 00
Grand Haven Jun. Aux	St. John's	.....	4 07	.....	.....	2	21 00
Grand Haven, Akeley In.		.....	40 00	.....	.....	1	10 00
Grand Rapids	St. Mark's	101 00	27 00	28 00	.....	2	209 00
Grand Rapids Jun. Aux.	St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	53 00
Grand Rapids, Industrial Band	St. Mark's	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids	Grace	10 00	5 00	.....	.....	2	82 72
Hastings	Emmanuel	6 25	12 50	3 25	.....	1	11 45
Ionia	St. John's	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ionia Junior Auxiliary	St. John's	1 25	.....	3 75	.....	.....	.....
Kalamazoo	St. Luke's	70 00	40 00	15 00	.....	4	61 25
Kalamazoo Junior Aux.	St. Luke's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Niles	Trinity	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1	44 60
Petoskey	Emmanuel	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	25 00
Traverse City	Grace	6 76	.....	.....	.....	1	30 00
Mt. Pleasant Jun. Aux.	St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5 00
Annual Meeting of Woman's Auxiliary		.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals		$340 76	$165 39	$ 50 00	$556 15	23	$737 25

UNITED OFFERINGS OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY FOR THREE YEARS ENDING OCTOBER 1. 1898.

Allegan, Good Shepherd	$ 20 00
Coldwater, St. Mark's and Juniors'	5 90
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	100 11
Grand Rapids, Grace	2 50
Grand Haven, St. John's	7 20
Hastings, Emmanuel	16 27
Ionia, St. John's	1 65
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	44 92
Niles, Trinity	28 05
Sturgis, St. James'	2 51
Traverse City	3 00
Albion	6 53
Mancelona	5 56
Kalkaska	1 00
Luther	3 65
Tustin	1 00
E. Jones, Grand Rapids	75
Galesburg	1 00
Mendon	1 00
Morley	1 00
Schoolcraft	1 41
Newaygo	1 70
Holland	2 00
St. Joseph	1 70
Total United Offering, 1898	$260 41

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TABULAR STATEMENT—WOMEN'S AUXILIARY—RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

PARISH BRANCHES.	Co ed Salary Fund.	Dr. Cummings' Scholarship St. Paul's, Yankton, S. Dakota.	Bishop Gillespie Scholarship St. Margaret's School, Tokio, Japan.	Little Cot, St. Mary's Orphanage, Shanghai, China.	J. W. Bancroft Scholarship Garre Buhlen School, Wuchang, China.	Ellen E. Robinson Scholarship St. Elizabeth's School, Standing Rock, S. Dak.	Bishop Rowe, Hospital, Circle City, Alaska.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Specials Sent Through General Treasury.		Specials sent direct not through General Treasury.		For General Missions. Boxes.		Diocesan Work.
									Domestic.	Foreign	Domestic.	Foreign	Number	Value	
Allegan, Good Shepherd	$ 20 00	.....	.....	$ 4 25	.....	.....	$ 5 75	.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	.....	.....	.....
Akeley Missionary Society	.....	.....	.....	.....	$40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	$ 10 00	.....
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	21 75	5 00	6 25	.....	.....	17 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Coldwater, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 00	.....	3	142 74	.....
Coldwater Juniors	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	21 49	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	50 00	13 00	20 00	7 00	.....	17 00	10 00	28 00	10 00	.....	1 00	.....	2	209 00	.....
Grand Rapids Juniors	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	53 00	.....
Grand Rapids Industrial Band	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Grace	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	2	82 72	.....
Grand Haven, St. John's	8 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 32	1	20 00	.....
Grand Haven Juniors	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 07	2	21 00	.....
Hastings, Emmanuel	6 25	.....	6 25	6 25	.....	.....	.....	3 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	11 45	.....
Ionia, St. John's	4 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	14 75	4 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ionia Juniors	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25	.....	3 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	40 00	15 00	7 50	7 50	.....	10 00	5 00	15 00	.....	5 00	.....	20 00	4	61 25	.....
Kalamazoo Juniors	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Niles, Trinity	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	44 60	.....
Petoskey, Emmanuel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	25 00	.....
Traverse City, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 26	.....	1	30 00	$ 2 50
Mt. Pleasant Juniors	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5 00	.....
Convention Collection	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTALS	$165 00	$60 00	$ 40 00	$ 30 00	$ 40 00	$ 60 00	$ 25 00	$ 50 00	$10 00	$25 00	$18 26	$30 39	23	$ 737 25	$ 2 50

Total Diocesan Pledge, $470. Paid to Treasurer, $478.83. Money received, $556.15. Boxes 23, value, $737.25.

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Reports of Clergy Not in Parochial Charge.

REPORT OF THE REV. J. RICE TAYLOR.

I would respectfully report that apart from assisting the Bishop in two services, and also taking part in several services conducted by my son, all in All Saints' Church, Saugatuck, during the last Conventional year, I have performed no official duty.

REPORT OF THE REV. KARL E. OPPEN.

I beg leave to report that, owing to the fact that there has not as yet been a vacancy in any of the Wisconsin regiments, I was not required to report for duty. I therefore continued doing the same work as in the preceding years, doing well financially, but sorry indeed that the Church has no place for me. I pray that the good Lord may continue to bless the Church, and especially our Diocese, in keeping you, dear Bishop, in good health and strength.

REPORT OF THE REV. ALBERT E. WELLS.

During the year I have taken part in the services of our Parish Church in Traverse City, and in addition, celebrated Holy Communion at Homer, and there have baptized 3 children. I have held a service at Northport, and there baptized one infant. I have been called twice to say the burial office at Sherman, and have visited Benzonia and Frankfort. At the latter place our Church members do not show any desire for services.

REPORT OF THE REV. C. R. STEARNS.

Since being transferred to this Diocese, I served at Trinity Church, Grand Rapids, for a brief season, my resignation taking effect October 30. Since leaving Grand Rapids I have been at my home near Sheridan. There I have held three services and administered baptism to nine infants. I have held service at Ionia once.

REPORT OF THE REV. HENRY HUGHES.

I herewith submit my report of services held from June 10, 1898, to June 1, 1899. Marriages, 2; burials, 4; Holy Communion, in private, 1. Total, 7.

Lay Readers' Reports.

Grand Rapids, Grace Church, George E. Luther: I did no lay reading last year except at St. John's in this city, of which I reported last fall.

Elk Rapids, St. Paul's, Horatio B. Lewis. Since Easter Day, 1898, I have performed the following services as Lay Reader in St. Paul's Parish: Read morning prayer and sermon twenty-one times. Read evening prayer and sermon only once. Read evening prayer only once. Read evening lessons for Rector twice. Read week day evening prayer and address twice. Read order for burial of the dead once.

Petoskey, Emmanuel Mission, St. Q. H. Williams: During the past year I read the lessons for the Rector, and conducted one week day and one Sunday service in his absence. I take pleasure in asking for a renewal of license.

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Charlotte, Grace Church, J. W. Watson: During the two years of my Lay readership the Church has not been closed but two Sabbaths, which were in January last. The reason being sickness of myself. This past year only one baptism. I have officiated at two interments. The Sunday School, owing to several circumstances, has been discontinued, but steps are being taken to begin again. The vested boy choir has now entered its second year.

Holland, Grace Church, C. A. Stevenson: Since Easter, 1898, have held six services in Grace Church.

Kalamazoo, St. Luke's, Wm. Y. Riethard: Sunday, October 16, 1898, a. m., Morning Prayer, Litany, read a sermon. Friday, Dec. 9, 1898, afternoon, Evening Prayer and Bible reading. Sunday, Dec. 11, 1898, a. m., Morning Prayer and Litany, read the pastoral letter. Sunday, Dec. 11, 1898, p. m., Evening Prayer and a short address. Friday, Dec. 16, 1898, afternoon, Evening Prayer and Bible reading. Sunday, Dec. 18, 1898, a. m., and p. m., assisted in services by reading lessons. Friday, March 24, 1899, afternoon, Evening Prayer and short address.

St. Luke's, Muskegon, Alfred Bullock: Held evening services with sermon four times. Assisted the Rev. George Forsey by reading lessons three times.

Grand Rapids, Trinity, Wm. H. Tibbs: Since my appointment as Lay Reader in Trinity Parish, the 11th day of November, 1898, I have assisted the Rev. Sidney Beckwith in the services by reading the lessons at morning and evening prayer, and have also assisted in the Sunday School.

Allegan, Good Shepherd, Charles R. Wilkes: I would respectfully report that I officiated between Easter 1898, and Easter 1899, once on Sunday and once on a week day in Lent.

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APPENDIX D.

A BILL

To revise the Laws providing for the Incorporation of Protestant Episcopal Churches.

SECTION 1. It shall be lawful for any six or more persons, professing attachment to the Protestant Episcopal Church, to execute and acknowledge, before any person authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds, one or more duplicate articles of agreement, in writing, whereby they shall agree to organize a church according to the usages of the Protestant Episcopal Church, by the name and style set forth in such articles; and upon the execution and acknowledgment and filing thereof, as herein provided, such Church shall become a body politic and corporate, by the name set forth in said articles, in accordance with the constitution, canons, doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SEC. 2. Said articles shall contain: First, The name of the proposed Church. Second, The township or city and county in which it is located. Third, The number of vestrymen, not less than six nor more than twelve, who shall have charge of the temporal affairs of such Church, and the time of the annual meeting, which shall be in Easter week; and no Church shall be incorporated, in any township or city, bearing the same name as any other Protestant Episcopal Church theretofore organized therein.

SEC. 3. Such articles of agreement, when duly signed and acknowledged, shall be recorded in the office of the Secretary of State, and in the office of the County Clerk of the county in which such Church is located; and it shall not be lawful for such Church to acquire the title to any property until such articles are so recorded.

SEC. 4. Any three or more persons who have signed any such articles may call the first meeting of such church, at such time and place as they may see fit, by publishing a notice for ten days previous to the time of such meeting in some newspaper published in the city or township in which such Church is located; and if no newspaper is published therein, then such notice may be given by posting the same in three of the most public places in such city or township; and at such meeting the affidavit of such posting or publishing shall be produced and recorded in the minutes. *And it is further provided*, That at such meeting, in addition to the signers of such articles, any other persons who may be

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authorized by the laws of the church to take part in the incorporation of parishes shall be entitled to vote, who shall sign a declaration in writing to be kept in the book of minutes, whereby he or she shall signify an intention of becoming attached to said Church, and accepting the terms of such articles; vestrymen of the Church shall be elected at said meeting or any adjournment thereof.

SEC. 5. At all subsequent meetings, the right to vote shall be confined to such persons as shall be authorized by the laws of the Church to vote at Parish meetings. The annual meetings shall take place at such time in Easter week as shall be fixed in said articles. Public notice shall be given of the time and place of holding such meetings, on the Sunday before Easter and on Easter day, by the Rector, and in his absence by either of the wardens, at the regular service on such days. In case service shall not be held, notice shall be given either by publishing or posting, as the vestry shall direct, written or printed notices thereof, signed by the Rector, or in case there is no Rector, by the secretary of the vestry, at least one week prior to such meeting. Special meetings of the Parish may be called by the vestry and a like notice shall be given of any such special meeeing as is required for an annual meeting, and the object of such special meeting shall be stated. At the annual meeting, an election of vestrymen shall be held to serve until the next annual meeting, but at such annual meeting it shall be lawful, at the option of said meeting, to classify the vestrymen in three equal classes, as near as may be, one of which classes shall hold their offices for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and at all subsequent meetings vestrymen shall be elected for three years, to fill the places made vacant by the class whose term of office shall expire at the time. Any Church desiring to discontinue such classification may do so, and thereafter vestrymen shall be elected for one year to fill the places made vacant by the class whose term of office shall expire at the time of election.

The vestrymen shall be elected by ballot, and shall serve until their successors shall be chosen. The wardens, when present, shall be the judges of the election, and shall permit no person to vote unless qualified as aforesaid; and they shall canvass and declare the result, and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to elect. In case of the absencc of the wardens, or either of them, members of the vestry shall be appointed to act as such judges in the place of the absent warden or wardens. The Rector, when present, shall preside at all meetings of the Parish. A full and complete record of the proceedings of all such meetings shall be kept by the secretary of the vestry.

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SEC. 6. The vestrymen shall annually choose by ballot from their own body two members, who shall be communicants, to be wardens. They shall also appoint a secretary and a treasurer, who may be members of their own body, and they may employ such other agents and servants as may be required. Meetings of the vestry may be called by the Rector of the Church by giving due notice thereof at any regular service on Sunday, or they may be called by serving upon the Rector and upon all members of the vestry a notice in writing, signed by the Rector, either warden or any two vestrymen. A majority of the vestrymen elected shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Rector, when present, shall preside at all vestry meetings, but shall have no vote except in case of a tie; and in his absence from the meeting, one of the wardens, if present shall preside. All vacancies in such vestry may be filled by the remaining vestrymen at any meeting, and the persons so elected shall hold office for the same period as their predecessors would have held.

SEC. 7. The vestry shall have the care and management of all the temporal affairs of such Church, and they shall have authority, in the corporate name, to lease or to purchase and hold such real estate as shall be reasonably necessary for a Church building, chapel, parish house, lecture and school rooms, and for dwellings for the ministers thereof; but it shall not be lawful for such corporation to hold or use any real estate for any other purpose for a longer period than ten years. The said vestry shall also have power to alienate or incumber any of the property of said corporation, but they shall not have power or authority to alienate or encumber any real estate purchased or held for any of the purposes above enumerated, without being first authorized to do so by a vote of the congregation of the Parish, at the annual meeting or at a special meeting called for such purpose, and no other person shall vote at such special meeting except those qualified to vote at the annual meeting; nor shall it be lawful to incumber or alienate any such property without the previous consent of the Bishop acting with the advice and consent of the standing committee of the Diocese in which such property is situated. Said vestry shall have authority to erect, alter, repair, enlarge, take down or remove and rebuild any Church or other building belonging to such corporation, provided such vestry shall first have obtained from the Parish authority so to do, in the manner hereinbefore provided for alienating or encumbering the property thereof. No owner of any pew or slip in such Church shall be held to be the owner of any interest in the land whereon the same is erected.

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SEC. 8. The vestry shall keep a record of their proceedings, which together with a record of the meetings of the congregation of the Parish, shall, at all times, be open to the inspection of any officer of the Parish, and of all persons qualified to vote at the annual meeting of such Church. Such records shall be prima facie evidence of the facts therein stated.

SEC. 9. Any Protestant Episcopal Church whose corporate term of existence has expired, or may be about to expire, or may hereafter expire by limitation, may be reorganized under this act, so as to become subject to the provisions thereof, whenever the wardens and vestrymen, de jure or de facto, shall execute and file articles of agreement as provided in this act. Said wardens and vestrymen de jure or de facto, are hereby authorized by their names of office to make, sign, acknowledge, execute and file one or more duplicate articles of agreement, as provided in sections one, two and three of this act, which articles shall, in addition to the requisites in said last mentioned sections named, set forth that they are executed for the purpose of reorganizing said corporation according to the provisions of this act, and such articles shall be deemed sufficient when so executed and filed, although the number of signers shall be less than six, if they shall constitute the majority of such wardens and vestrymen, de jure de facto. Upon the execution and filing of said articles such corporation shall, without further action, be deemed to all intents and purposes reorganized, and the corporate identity of such corporation shall continue unchanged.

SEC. 10. Any church incorporated under this act may, at any annual meeting, or at any special meeting, called for that purpose, by a vote of the majority of those present, qualified to vote, and voting on the question, amend its articles of agreement in any manner not inconsistent with the provisions of this act and of the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and of the Diocese in which said Church shall be located, and such amendments shall become operative on filing a copy of the same, certified by the presiding officer and secretary of such meeting, with the Secretary of State and with the clerk of the county in which such Church is located; and all such amendments heretofore made by any Protestant Episcopal Church are hereby declared to be valid and binding.

SEC. 11. The following entitled acts are hereby repealed, viz.: "An Act to Provide for the Organization of Protestant Episcopal Churches," approved February 17th, 1857. "An Act to amend Sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 of an act entitled 'An Act to Provide for the Organization of Protestant Episcopal Churches,'" approved February 17th, 1857, being sections

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3083, 3084, 3085, 3086 of the compiled laws of 1871, and to add a new section thereto, to stand as section 8 of said act, approved May 27th, 1879. "An Act to Enable Certain Protestant Episcopal Churches to Reorganize under the Statute approved February 17th, 1857, entitled 'An Act to Provide for the Organization of Protestant Episcopal Churches,'" approved March 14th, 1865. Also all other acts amendatory of the above entitled acts, or inconsistent with this act; but the organization of all corporations under the provisions of either of said acts shall be deemed and taken to be organizations under this act, and all rights, obligations and liabilities contracted or incurred by any such corporations thereunder, or under the provisions of any law now in force, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, shall continue of the same force and effect as though such acts of law had not been repealed; all such corporations, from and after the taking effect of this act, shall be subject to all the provisions hereof as fully as though such organization had been perfected hereunder.

SEC. 12. Any Protestant Episcopal Church, heretofore organized under any other general law than those mentioned in the last preceding section, may re-organize so as to become subject to the provisions of this act. The wardens and vestrymen, de jure or de facto, of such Church, or a majority of them, are hereby authorized by their names of office to execute, acknowledge and file one or more articles of agreement, as provided in sections one, two and three of this act, which articles shall, in addition to the requisites in said last mentioned sections provided, set forth that they are executed for the purpose of reorganizing such Church according to the provisions of this act; and such articles shall be deemed sufficient when so executed and acknowledged, although the number of signers shall be less than six, if consisting of a majority of such wardens and vestrymen. Upon the execution and filing of said articles, such Church shall, without further action, be deemed to all intents and purposes to be reorganized and a corporation under this act, and all rights of property and of contract shall remain unimpaired, and the corporate identity of such Church shall continue unchanged. The wardens and vestrymen in office shall continue in office until the annual election in Easter week next following such reorganization, and until their successors shall be chosen; and no other meeting or notice shall be necessary to complete such reorganization.

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A CALENDAR FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

It shall be the duty of the minister of every Church in the Diocese to take an offering for Diocesan Missions once a month, or by stated pledge from the members of the Church, and the proceeds shall be remitted to the treasurer of the Board of Missions, quarterly. Canon XVII, Sec. 3.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity—Discourse on Cruelty to Animals (Epistle).
Sunday before July 4—Some National Topic.
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity—Offering for Deaf Mute Missions (Gospel.)
Sunday after September Ember Days—Offering for the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.
October—Prison Sunday as appointed.
November—Second Sunday, offering for American Church Building Fund Commission, the Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference.
Thanksgiving Day—The suggestion of a sermon on Civil Service Reform has the endorsement of a number of Bishops.
The Eve of St. Andrew's Day—Intercession for Missions.
Advent Sunday—Offering for Domestic Missions.
Christmas Day—Offerings for Diocesan Fund for the Disabled Clergy, etc. Canon XII, Sec. 1.
Second Sunday after the Epiphany—Offerings for Foreign Missions.
First Sunday after the Epiphany—Schools and Colleges.
Sundays after Epiphany—Offerings in Sunday Schools for Church Building in the Diocese.
Sexagesima Sunday—Work among Colored People.
Wednesday before Quinquagesima Sunday—The Quiet Day for the Clergy.
Good Friday—Offering for Jewish Missions.
The week after the first Sunday after Easter—The Semi-Annual Missionary Meeting and Diocesan Church Conference.
Third Sunday after Easter—Offerings for Indian Missions.
Whitsunday—Offerings for Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies.

Changes Since Convention.

Mr. D. G. Robinson, Treasurer for Diocesan Missions, died at Hastings, July 19, 1899.

The Rev. William E. Wright, has been transferred to the Diocese of Ohio.

D. Charles White has been admitted a candidate for Holy Orders.

The Rev. M. S. Woodruff has relinquished the Missionary charge of Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor, and St. Paul's, St. Joseph.

The Rev. Charles D. Atwell, has resigned charge of Emmanuel, Hastings, and has been transferred to the Diocese of Marquette.

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No. 1. ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—PROPERTY.—APPENDIX E.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Property, by whom held.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Rectory.	Other Property.	Insurance Carried.	Indebtedness Secured.	Indebtedness Floating.	Reduction of Debt.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	Salary of Rector.	Amount paid on Rector's Salary.	Whole Number of Sittings.	Number of Sittings Free.	Number of Sittings Rented.
Albion, St. James'	Vestry	$ 5000 00	$	$ 41 59	$	$	$ 156 41	$	$	$	$	150	150	....
Allegan, Good Shepherd	Vestry	7000 00	1500 00		5000		100 00			*900	900 00	250	250	....
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	Vestry	25000 00	3000 00	2500 00	13500			500 00	1000 00	*1800	1800 00	400	100	300
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	Vestry	2500 00	1400 00									250	250	....
Coldwater, St. Mark's	Vestry	16700 00			8000		80 39	631 67		1000	1083 34	300	300	....
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	Association	5000 00		17 71	3000		130 64	50 00		600		250	250	....
Grand Haven, St. John's	Vestry	6500 00									600 00	250	250	....
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	Vestry	65000 00			18000	1500 00	2000 00			*3000	3000 00	†1100		....
Grand Rapids, Grace	Vestry	24492 00	4500 00		11500	14040 00		785 00	10 00	*1200	1200 00	600	600	....
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	Vestry	3800 00			2500							250	‡	....
Grand Rapids, Trinity	Vestry	6000 00			3000	1600 00	500 00		10 00			350	350	....
Hastings, Emmanuel	Vestry	11000 00			4000	675 00	100 00					300	300	....
Holland, Grace	Vestry	3500 00			2500		25 00			500	516 69	150	150	....
Homer, Christ	Vestry	1000 00										130	‡	....
Ionia, St. John's	Vestry	10500 00			7500	1761 33	65 00	150 00		1300	1730 18	325	325	....
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	Vestry	50000 00	6000 00	60710 56	36000					*1800	1800 00	700	700	....
Ludington, Grace	Vestry	3500 00			1500	500 00	40 00	45 00	10 00	300	176 92	150	150	....
Manistee, Holy Trinity	Vestry	9000 00	1400 00		2500	4000 00	75 00			*400	365 00	300	300	....
Marshall, Trinity	Vestry	12000 00	3400 00	7327 84	11300					*1000	1000 00	450	450	....
Mendon, St. Paul's	Vestry	1000 00										200	‡	....
Muskegon, St. Paul's	Vestry	66000 00	5000 00		18700	3600 00		24212 20	112 60	*1200	1100 00	750	350	400
Niles, Trinity	Vestry	15000 00	3000 00		8000	585 00	52 10	25 00		*1000	916 67	500	‡	....
Saugatuck, All Saints'	Vestry	2000 00			1500							300	300	....
Traverse City, Grace	Vestry	2000 00			1000		8 30			800	871 08	150	150	....
Union City, Grace	Vestry	1800 00										‡		....
		$ 355292 00	$29200 00	$70597 70	$157000	$28261 33	$3332 84	$26398 87	$1142 60	$16800	$17059 88	8555		

*And Rectory. †All pews subject to rental. ‡Not reported.

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NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Property by whom held.	Value of Church property.	Value of Rectory.	Other Property.	Insurance Carried.	Indebtedness Secured.	Indebtedness Floating.	Reduction of Debt.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	Salary of Rector.	Amount paid on Rector's Salary.	Whole Number of Sittings.	Number of Sittings Free.	Number of Sittings Rented.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	Association	$ 600 00	$ 400 00	$ 64 00			$ 5 50					100	100	
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	Association	3500 00			$ 1800		20 06		$ 30 00			200	200	
Cassopolis, St. James'					125					$ 150	$ 42 25	60	60	
Charlevoix, Christ	Association	1900 00			1000		204 10		118 87			150	150	
Charlotte, Grace	Trustees.	3500 00							182 80		30 00	200	200	
Central Lake, St. Matthias'	Association	1200 00				$ 300 00	80 00		44 80			100	100	
Coopersville, Epiphany	Association													
Dowagiac, St. Alban's										300	50 00			
East Jordan, Redeemer	Association	1500 00			500							100	100	
Grand Rapids, St. John's	Association	4000 00			2000		77			260	200 00	150	150	
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's	St. Mark's													
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's														
Greenville, St. Paul's	Association	1500 00			1000		17 45			300	195 00	170	170	
Harbor Springs, St. John's	Association	2500 00			2000						70 00	200	200	
Hart, St. Andrew's														
Luther, Christ	Association	1000 00			500		28 10					80	80	
Lyons, Grace														
Mancelona, Nativity	Association	1000 00			1000		1 32							
Muskegon, St. Luke's	Association	¶ 1000 00												
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	Association	2500 00	†1800 00		2500				17 33	*600	469 94	150	150	
Newaygo, St. Mark's	Association	3500 00			1500						60 00	200	200	
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	Association	¶ 1400 00												
Pentwater, St. James'	Association	2000 00	¶ 450 00		1300		28 00					100	100	
Petoskey, Emmanuel	Association	6000 00	3500 00		4000	2250 00	95 33			*700	669 68	350	350	
Quincy, St. John's	Association	¶ 1200 00												
Rockford, St. James'	Association	1500 00			500		12 00					150	150	
South Haven, Epiphany							44 25							
Sturgis, St. James'				200 00			9 40			175	193 38	75	75	
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	Association			800 00			31 38							
Tustin, St. Johannes'	Trustees.	1000 00		1100 00										
Three Rivers, Trinity	Association	300 00		5 30	2000							275	275	
Whitehall, Redeemer	Association	2000 00			1000				3 00			125	125	
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	Association	2000 00		500 00	1100					75		150	150	
Plainfield	Bp. of Mich.	1500 00										100	100	
		$ 48100 00	$ 6150 00	$2669 30	$24125	$2550 00	$ 577 70		$396 77	$2550	$1970 25	3180	3180	

*And Rectory. †The Rectory is held by Trustees. ¶Last year's report.

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No. 2. ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	PAROCHIAL RECEIPTS.						PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS								
	From Offertory.	Subscriptions, Pew Rents, Envelopes.	Women's Guilds.	Sunday School.	Other Sources, including Balances.	Total.	Communion Alms.	Rector's Salary.	Other Salaries.	Insurance.	Other Parish Expenses.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	Paid on Indebtedness.	By or for Sunday School.	Balance in Hand.	Total.
Albion, St. James	$ 40 20	$ 222 23	$ 15 00	.....	$ 170 67	$ 448 00	$	$ 285 02	$	$	$ 121 50	$	$	$	$ 41 59	$ 406 52
Allegan, Good Shepherd	.....	874 33	50 00	$ 80 00	426 30	1530 63	7 51	900 00	120 00	.....	74 54	175 00	.....	25 00	.....	1302 05
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	350 00	1981 49	573 89	60 92	1753 52	4719 82	72 68	1800 00	240 00	118 80	581 85	1000 00	500 00	10 92	.....	4324 25
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	47 68	157 23	151 51	.....	134 40	490 82	6 30	281 77	67 50	.....	75 68	.....	.....	.....	.....	431 25
Coldwater, St. Mark's	393 34	1706 65	20 70	64 66	307 79	2493 14	.....	1083 34	.....	35 00	334 59	.....	631 67	35 87	163 09	2120 47
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	149 43	317 50	75 00	78 63	171 30	791 86	.....	400 00	26 00	.....	126 68	4 00	50 00	33 63	1 70	700 31
Grand Haven, St. John's	224 91	539 73	186 79	44 38	149 15	1144 96	.....	600 00	145 85	33 50	137 99	.....	.....	13 86	41 17	931 20
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	3071 71	6585 42	948 00	156 00	2475 73	13356 32	516 01	3875 00	2114 02	113 75	4811 99	.....	.....	106 00	.....	11536 77
Grand Rapids, Grace	1053 32	2085 75	666 09	275 00	295 49	4407 08	.....	1200 00	204 00	110 00	1632 99	10 00	785 00	184 73	100 52	4126 82
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Trinity	110 29	223 10	50 23	10 86	36 18	440 66	.....	241 85	16 84	.....	164 31	10 00	.....	2 43	.....	435 42
Hastings, Emmanuel	122 04	837 95	287 33	27 50	90 89	1365 71	.....	900 00	130 00	.....	80 48	.....	.....	70 00	.....	1180 48
Holland, Grace	151 59	333 00	133 00	8 91	33 44	659 94	52	516 69	48 00	.....	25 87	.....	.....	4 64	7 50	595 72
Homer, Christ	20 00	84 20	.....	.....	.....	105 10	.....	84 20	.....	.....	20 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	105 10
Ionia, St. John's	295 75	1170 06	180 34	69 66	952 74	2668 55	16 82	1730 18	127 57	6 75	241 16	.....	150 00	30 95	115 73	2303 43
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	1453 78	2436 87	709 72	92 34	923 44	5616 15	123 50	1800 00	1728 74	14 00	901 45	.....	.....	46 37	94 94	4614 06
Ludington, Grace	44 96	126 92	.....	.....	20 00	241 88	.....	176 92	25 00	15 00	.....	10 00	45 00	.....	.....	271 92
Manistee, Holy Trinity	314 87	678 27	210 00	21 93	91 37	1316 44	36 96	365 00	.....	.....	589 19	.....	220 00	.....	.....	1176 19
Marshall, Trinity	306 43	1318 76	.....	170 56	2800 05	4586 08	.....	1000 00	197 27	.....	2037 41	.....	.....	45 10	970 06	3268 78
Mendon, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Muskegon, St. Paul's	592 59	1627 48	352 27	139 85	23868 06	26735 87	60 40	1100 00	499 40	14 00	411 01	112 60	24212 20	124 69	3 22	26534 30
Niles, Trinity	366 58	951 43	479 41	66 37	23 69	1887 48	33 07	916 67	244 87	39 20	414 30	.....	25 00	26 37	5 25	1699 48
Saugatuck, All Saints'	6 00	5 00	14 00	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 75	.....	.....	.....	6 25	13 75
Traverse City, Grace	252 26	616 53	176 00	39 71	392 74	1477 24	20 00	871 08	.....	17 00	118 10	300 71	.....	61 91	1 12	1388 80
Union City, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	$9348 73	$24889 90	$5599 28	$1417 28	$35016 93	$75508 73	$893 77	$20127 72	$5935 06	$517 00	$12915 74	$1622 31	$26618 97	$868 47	$1552 17	$67517 07

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	PAROCHIAL RECEIPTS.						PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS.									
	From Offertory.	Subscriptions, Pew Rents, Envelopes.	Women's Guilds.	Sunday School.	Other Sources, Including Balances.	TOTAL.	Communion Alms.	Rector's Salary.	Other Salaries.	Insurance.	Other Parish Expenses.	Increase and Improvement of Church Property.	Paid on Indebtedness.	By or for Sunday School.	Balance in Hand.	TOTAL.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	$	$	$	$	$ 67 81	$ 67 81	$	$	$	$	$ 2 00	$	$	$	$ 60 81	$ 2 00
Benton H'bor, Holy Trin'y	69 00	142 00	6 00	20 00	30 00	267 00	13 59	165 25	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	15 00	6 13	223 84
Cassopolis, St. James'	8 82	17 25	13 00	3 50	32 44	75 01	.....	42 25	.....	.....	12 03	.....	.....	3 46	8 98	57 74
Central Lk., St. Matthias'	14 55	49 21	14 64	.....	25 00	103 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	54 53	44 80	.....	.....	2 51	99 33
Charlevoix, Christ	101 47	.....	80 42	26 64	12 46	220 99	.....	.....	13 12	21 25	.....	118 87	.....	25 00	.....	178 24
Charlotte, Grace	8 40	.....	30 00	.....	261 91	330 31	.....	30 00	.....	.....	35 35	182 80	.....	.....	.....	286 36
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	14 81	40 25	.....	6 01	16 79	77 86	.....	50 00	4 20	.....	5 10	.....	.....	.....	12 55	59 30
East Jordan, Redeemer	26 73	4 25	.....	.....	5 14	36 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 45	.....	.....	.....	2 42	27 45
Grand Rapids, St. John's	57 67	104 15	168 98	38 75	52 13	421 68	.....	200 00	18 02	34 00	159 12	.....	.....	.....	3 61	411 14
G'd Rapids, St. Matthew's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenville, St. Paul's	91 24	229 90	32 00	9 75	14 33	377 22	.....	195 00	32 80	.....	104 83	.....	.....	4 49	3 20	337 12
Harbor Springs, St. John's	139 28	.....	.....	.....	.....	139 28	.....	70 00	.....	.....	29 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	99 15
Hart, St. Andrew's	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....
Luther, Christ	15 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	35 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 94	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....
Lyons, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mancelona, Nativity	34 18	32 99	25 00	4 57	14 92	111 66	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	17 95	14 50	.....	97 45
Muskegon, St. Luke's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	88 49	345 91	129 07	39 90	45 67	649 14	.....	469 94	19 50	.....	43 27	17 33	.....	27 61	9 48	577 45
Newaygo, St. Mark's	.....	40 00	60 00	15 00	23 90	138 90	.....	60 00	.....	.....	35 00	.....	.....	10 00	30 40	105 00
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pentwater, St. James'	11 45	65 00	103 50	15 25	50 64	245 09	.....	40 00	15 00	21 91	28 14	106 77	.....	7 00	15 50	218 82
Petoskey, Emmanuel	212 48	673 00	25 33	35 00	14 73	960 54	.....	669 68	112 00	15 00	105 55	.....	.....	30 00	13 31	932 23
Quincy, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rockford, St. James'	9 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 80	.....	4 97	.....	.....	1 26	.....	.....	.....	1 67	6 23
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	34 00	25 00	52 18	30 00	.....	141 24	.....	75 00	10 25	12 85	27 44	.....	.....	.....	.....	125 54
Sherman	5 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 85	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
South Haven, Epiphany	49 89	54 25	.....	1 25	10 00	115 39	.....	57 00	1 00	.....	23 89	15 00	.....	.....	.....	96 89
Sturgis, St. James'	38 07	145 38	88 20	.....	41 09	312 64	.....	193 38	.....	.....	75 00	.....	.....	.....	24 60	268 38
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	71 48	107 25	.....	.....	12 00	190 73	.....	114 00	.....	.....	46 75	.....	.....	.....	14 30	160 75
Tustin, St. Johannes	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 75	1 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 75
Three Rivers, Trinity	32 52	.....	61 66	14 29	.....	108 47	.....	.....	10 50	.....	43 62	.....	.....	10 50	.....	64 62
Whitehall, Redeemer	1 25	.....	.....	.....	30 00	31 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25	3 00	.....	.....	27 00	4 25
Missions, Total	$ 1135 49	$ 2095 81	$ 879 98	$ 259 91	$ 765 21	$ 5576 33	$ 13 59	$ 2436 47	$ 237 39	$105 01	$ 866 49	$ 583 57	$ 37 95	$147 56	$ 238 97	$ 4442 03
Parishes, Total	9348 73	24889 90	5599 28	1417 28	35016 93	75508 73	893 77	20127 72	5935 06	517 00	12915 74	1622 31	26618 97	68 47	1552 17	67517 07
Grand Total	$10484 22	$26985 71	$6479 26	$1677 19	$35782 14	$81085 06	$907 36	$22564 19	$6172 45	$622 01	$13782 23	$2205 88	$26656 92	$216 03	$1791 14	$71959 10

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No. 3. ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS, WITHIN THE DIOCESE.—PARISHES.

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Diocesan Missions.	Convention Assessment.	Christmas Fund.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Aid to Candidates for Holy Orders.	Woman's Auxiliary Aid in the Diocese.	Sunday School Aid in the Diocese.	For Akeley Institute.	Deaf Mute Fund.	Diocesan Church Building Fund.	Other Objects.	Total.
Albion, St. James'	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Allegan, Good Shepherd	50 00	52 53	9 25	2 80			30 00	3 25	5 00			122 83
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	102 00	166 97	14 79	11 67		2 00	25 00		9 56			304 99
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	11 57	35 51	2 51									49 59
Coldwater, St. Mark's	70 00	63 03	9 43	5 25			10 00		5 00			152 71
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	25 00	7 67	7 68	5 00			10 00					45 35
Grand Haven, St. John's	35 00	54 27	10 05	1 97				5 00				106 29
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	915 00	555 06	40 00	14 56		15 00						1524 62
Grand Rapids, Grace	25 00	127 12					25 00				8 62	160 74
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's												
Grand Rapids, Trinity												
Hastings, Emmanuel	30 00	76 08		6 65			5 00					112 73
Holland, Grace		37 24	8 14	4 39				4 75				54 52
Homer, Christ												
Ionia, St. John's	84 32	105 63	3 43	3 07								196 45
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	200 00	251 48	40 80	19 26		19 85			10 00		69 85	591 39
Ludington, Grace	8 00	8 40		3 00								19 40
Manistee, Holy Trinity	23 33	89 57	5 00	12 78								130 58
Marshall, Trinity	75 00	85 22	20 33				3 35					180 55
Mendon, St. Paul's												
Muskegon, St. Paul's	55 00	92 61	14 71	8 27			5 00					170 59
Niles, Trinity	60 00	60 13	14 32	4 82		10 00	10 00					139 27
Saugatuck, All Saints'		3 60	1 40	4 00								9 00
Traverse City, Grace	25 00	20 72	2 92	1 25		2 50					6 90	56 79
Union City, Grace												
Total	$ 1794 22	$ 1892 84	$ 204 76	$ 108 74		$ 48 35	$123 35	$ 13 00	$ 29 56		$ 85 37	$ 4128 39

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ABSTRACT OF THE PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS, WITHIN THE DIOCESE.—MISSIONS.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	Diocesan Missions.	Convention Assessment.	Christmas Fund.	Bishop's Trust Fund.	Aid to Candidates for Holy Orders.	Woman's Auxiliary Aid in the Diocese.	Sunday School Aid in the Diocese.	For Akeley Institute.	Deaf Mute Fund.	Diocesan Church Building Fund.	Other Objects.	Total.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	$ 5 00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$	$.....	$.....	$ 5 00
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	3 25	10 00	2 20	4 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	90	.....	1 00	21 60
Cassopolis, St. James'	.....	4 79	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 79
Central Lake, St. Matthias'	.....	1 56	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 56
Charlevoix, Christ	22 43	5 46	.....	2 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 46	.....	.....	35 75
Charlotte, Grace	.....	.....	.....	8 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 40
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Jordan, Redeemer	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 25	.....	.....	.....	6 25
Grand Rapids, St. John's	.....	6 93	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 93
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenville, St. Paul's	4 50	24 68	.....	4 47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33 65
Harbor Springs, St. John's	22 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 80
Hart, St. Andrew's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Luther, Christ	8 66	.....	.....	1 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 06
Lyons, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mancelona, Nativity	9 06	.....	.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 81
Muskegon, St. Luke's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	18 50	23 98	4 00	1 57	.....	.....	3 50	1 00	.....	.....	.....	49 05
Newaygo, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	50	.....	.....	3 00	3 50
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pentwater, St. James'	.....	2 17	2 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 42
Petoskey, Emmanuel	.....	.....	2 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 00
Quincy, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rockford, St. James'	1 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 90
South Haven, Epiphany	5 75	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	17 25
Sturgis, St. James'	13 20	.....	60	2 11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 91
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	2 00	.....	1 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 12
Tustin, St. Johannes'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Three Rivers, Trinity	27 32	7 33	.....	6 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 85
Whitehall, Redeemer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	3 00	6 25	1 25	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 50
Sherman	1 60	.....	.....	3 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 85
Total, Missions	$ 150 97	$ 93 15	$ 13 42	$ 45 30	.....	.....	$ 7 00	$ 5 75	$ 6 36	.....	$14 00	$ 338 95
Total, Parishes	1794 22	1892 84	204 76	108 74	.....	48 35	123 35	13 00	29 56	.....	85 37	4128 39
Grand Total	$ 1945 19	$ 1985 99	$ 218 18	$ 154 04	.....	$ 48 35	$ 130 35	$18 75	$35 92	.....	$99 37	$ 4467 24

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No. 4. **ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.**

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	General Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Colored Missions.	Indian Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Bible and Prayer Book Societies.	American Church Building Fund.	General Clergy Relief.	By the Sunday School.	By Women's Guilds.	Other Objects.	Total Outside Diocese.	Grand Total for All Purposes.
Albion, St. James'	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 406 52
Allegan, Good Shepherd	.....	33 55	28 80	.....	.....	1 00	3 00	.....	.....	50 00	30 00	51 75	105 75	1530 63
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	85 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	60 00	5 58	90 58	4718 82
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	.....	.....	8 58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 58	489 42
Coldwater, St. Mark's	35 70	4 00	14 67	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	15 00	20 70	.....	56 87	2330 05
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	40 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 32	1 85	.....	.....	37 78	.....	.....	44 50	790 16
Grand Haven, St. John's	15 58	35 53	7 42	.....	.....	2 22	.....	.....	.....	15 58	42 95	5 55	66 30	1103 79
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	195 00	.....	83 46	.....	.....	6 47	.....	.....	.....	50 00	145 00	.....	294 93	13356 32
Grand Rapids, Grace	.....	.....	19 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 00	4306 56
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	435 42
Hastings, Emmanuel	72 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 50	50 00	.....	72 50	1365 71
Holland, Grace	2 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 20	.....	.....	2 20	652 44
Homer, Christ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ionia, St. John's	46 29	1 65	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 29	31 65	.....	52 94	2552 82
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	45 97	27 56	55 02	17 38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 97	189 83	169 83	315 76	5521 21
Ludington, Grace	3 22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 22	294 54
Manistee, Holy Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1306 77
Marshall, Trinity	147 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 61	.....	.....	6 48	130 00	.....	5 00	165 69	3616 02
Mendon, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Muskegon, St. Paul's	10 16	8 52	6 53	.....	.....	2 55	.....	.....	.....	10 16	.....	.....	27 76	26732 65
Niles, Trinity	29 55	7 08	5 85	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	29 55	.....	.....	43 48	1882 23
Saugatuck, All Saints'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 75
Traverse City, Grace	30 53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 61	8 51	.....	30 53	1476 12
Union City, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL	$759 63	$117 89	$234 33	$17 38	.....	$28 67	$ 4 85	.....	$ 6 48	$471 64	$578 54	$237 71	$1400 59	$74990 95

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.

NAME AND PLACE OF MISSION.	General Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Colored Missions.	Indian Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Bible and Prayer Book Societies.	American Church Building Fund.	General Clergy Relief.	By the Sunday School.	By Women's Guilds.	Other Objects.	Total Outside Diocese.	Grand Total for All Purposes.
Baldwin, St. Matthew's	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 7 00
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity	10 00	2 68	2 75							5 00	5 00		15 43	260 87
Cassopolis, St. James'	3 50									3 50			3 50	66 03
Central Lake, St. Matthias'														100 89
Charlevoix, Christ	1 64		5 36							1 64			7 00	220 99
Charlotte, Grace							5 60						5 60	300 31
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	6 01									6 01			6 01	65 31
East Jordan, Redeemer														33 70
Grand Rapids, St. John's														418 07
Grand Rapids, St. Matthew's														
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's														
Greenville, St. Paul's	3 25									3 25			3 25	374 02
Harbor Springs, St. John's	17 33												17 33	139 28
Hart, St. Andrew's														
Luther, Christ			1 00										1 00	35 00
Lyons, Grace														
Mancelona, Nativity	1 80							1 60		1 80			3 40	111 66
Muskegon, St. Luke's														
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's		5 25	4 93	1 00			1 68			5 69			12 86	639 36
Newaygo, St. Mark's														108 50
Paw Paw, St. Mark's														
Pentwater, St. James'	5 25		1 10							5 25			6 35	229 59
Petoskey, Emmanuel	5 00									5 00	3 00	3 00	8 00	947 23
Quincy, St. John's														8 83
Rockford, St. James'														115 39
South Haven, Epiphany		1 25								1 25			1 25	288 04
Sturgis, St. James'			2 50									1 25	3 75	164 92
St. Joseph, St. Paul's			1 05										1 05	1 75
Tustin, St. Johannes'														108 47
Three Rivers, Trinity	3 00												3 00	4 25
Whitehall, Redeemer														141 24
Schoolcraft, Redeemer		1 10	1 10										2 20	4 85
Sherman														
Total, Missions	$ 56 78	$ 10 28	$ 19 79	$1 00			$ 7 28	$ 1 60		$38 39	$ 8 00	$ 4 25	$ 100 98	$ 4895 55
Total, Parishes	759 63	117 89	234 33	17 38		28 67	4 85		6 48	471 64	578 54	237 71	1400 59	74990 95
Grand Total	$816 41	$128 17	$254 12	$18 38		$28 67	$12 13	$ 1 60	$ 6 48	$510 03	$586 54	$241 96	$1501 57	$79896 50

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No. 5. **ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS—MEMBERSHIP—PARISHES.**

NAME AND PLACE OF PARISH.	Families.	Adults.	Children.	Total.	BAPTISMS. Whole Number Baptized.	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Confirmed During the Year.	Whole Number of Confirmed in Parish.	COMMUNICANTS. Last Report.	Added.	Lost.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Marriages.	Burials.	PUBLIC SERVICE. Sundays.	Holy Days.	Week Days.	Total.	Celebrations, Public.	Celebrations, Private.	SUNDAY SCHOOL. Teachers. Male.	Female.	Total.	Scholars. Male.	Female.	Total.	Average Attendance.	No. Catechisings.	No. Books in Library.
Albion, St. James	*35	95	20	115	114	...	...	...	...	†74	....	...	...	...	...	74	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Allegan, Good Shepherd	67	183	46	229	194	1	3	4	3	140	....	4	7	40	100	140	3	8	90	18	56	164	20	2	3	6	9	36	50	86	60	12	322
Battle Creek, St. Thos.	200	490	290	780	640	15	11	26	31	380	350	32	24	99	259	358	11	18	147	86	40	273	80	30	3	12	15	40	80	121	80	12	165
Big Rapids, St. Andrew's	*24	130	75	205	150	3	6	9	14	80	60	14	35	11	47	58	2	4	47	14	5	66	25	....	1	6	7	25	32	57	30	70	....
Coldwater, St. Mark's	130	282	73	355	....	4	...	4	4	167	162	8	3	46	121	167	2	10	142	23	77	242	73	2	3	7	10	...	...	75	51	44	353
Elk Rapids, St. Paul's	43	119	62	181	160	5	6	11	8	75	64	14	7	23	48	71	1	2	80	10	21	111	53	1	3	4	7	37	44	81	50	....	...
Grand Haven, St. John's	60	165	51	216	209	10	...	10	5	120	132	7	19	41	79	120	2	4	149	52	45	246	78	3	1	6	7	24	23	47	30	25	...
Grand Rapids, St. Mk's	459	750	400	1150	....	19	13	32	25	800	659	61	23	....	....	697	16	36	167	68	128	363	115	21	6	9	15	60	110	170	110	25	....
Grand Rapids, Grace	175	.....	.....	‡500	....	20	1	21	25	†302	301	25	24	....	....	302	6	10	148	24	81	253	92	7	5	16	21	80	120	200	150	23	....
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	*125	210	125	335	300	...	...	...	....	168	....	...	...	27	84	111	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	8	11	52	73	125	91	....
Grand Rapids, Trinity	25	...	....	‡100	....	...	...	...	....	†65	142	...	77	...	...	65	2	8	84	4	5	93	10	1	1	4	5	8	12	20	....	....	....
Hastings, Emmanuel	*103	178	110	288	250	10	9	19	16	†151	134	17	...	29	122	151	5	6	150	12	100	262	72	4	4	17	15	34	50	84	....	50	....
Holland, Grace	35	87	24	111	....	4	2	6	1	56	54	4	3	13	40	53	2	2	98	6	12	116	16	1	1	4	5	9	16	25	15	....	....
Homer, Christ	*12	20	9	29	29	3	...	...	...	31	...	...	...	...	...	27	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....
Ionia, St. John's	120	223	102	325	....	6	3	9	9	207	177	11	3	57	150	207	8	13	137	6	68	211	17	...	4	15	19	43	70	113	75	3	....
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	230	.....	.....	‡600	....	12	10	22	11	500	420	18	38	70	330	400	7	30	160	41	85	286	70	5	4	11	15	60	67	127	90	17	....
Ludington, Grace	29	65	35	100	99	3	6	9	14	87	25	19	1	5	29	34	2	4	104	26	12	142	55	2	1	3	4	10	30	40	15	25	120
Manistee, Holy Trinity	81	241	137	378	366	12	...	12	24	193	200	20	60	52	108	160	1	4	149	65	497	711	385	2	1	6	7	25	50	75	60	50	....
Marshall, Trinity	113	.....	.....	‡300	....	17	7	24	....	†230	205	25	....	....	....	230	5	9	76	4	46	126	12	1	3	9	12	38	65	103	75	....	....
Mendon, St. Paul's	*32	73	20	93	54	...	...	...	...	32	...	...	...	...	...	32	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....
Muskegon, St. Paul's	138	.....	.....	‡400	....	5	2	7	15	†222	209	20	7	....	....	222	4	17	104	2	16	122	12	....	2	8	10	40	60	100	50	52	...
Niles, Trinity	130	300	100	400	350	3	6	9	27	260	130	...	...	35	140	175	5	16	120	33	33	186	30	5	5	10	15	50	60	111	62	....	....
Saugatuck, All Saints'	24	44	33	77	....	...	...	...	...	†21	25	...	4	6	15	21	...	2	5	...	...	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....
Traverse City, Grace	44	121	66	187	155	11	7	18	14	81	57	24	8	15	58	73	2	...	144	8	54	206	53	1	3	5	8	...	...	50	....	50	89
Union City, Grace	*10	....	....	30	25	...	...	...	....	20	...	...	...	...	...	17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....
TOTALS	2443			7484		163	92	252	246	4462		323	343			3965	86	195				4184	1271	91			214			1758			

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Baldwin, St. Matthew's	6	14	12	26	20	..	..	..	6	..	7	..	3	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Benton H'b'r, Holy Trin'y	41	109	31	140	136	2	..	2	4	92	79	7	4	22	60	82	6	6	102	4	20	126	15	..	1	3	4	9	16	25	18	12	220
Cassopolis, St. James'	11	20	16	37	31	..	..	..	..	20	20	3	8	4	11	15	..	1	24	..	..	24	3	..	1	3	4	7	10	17	20	..	..	..	..
Centr'l Lake, St. Matthias	20	48	28	76	35	2	1	3	2	13	10	..	..	1	6	7	..	..	..	..	24	24	2	..	..	4	4	..	..	22	..	..	..	..	..	..
Charlevoix, Christ	20	29	51	80	..	2	1	3	3	36	35	3	4	..	..	34	..	2	9	..	13	22	6	1	1	5	6	19	31	50	36	..	..	..	..
Charlotte, Grace	*29	49	24	73	66	1	..	1	..	†34	34	..	..	..	..	34	..	..	50	..	..	50	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coopersville, Epiphany	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	*1	..	..	..	..	..	*1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dowagiac, St. Alban's	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	†23	..	..	..	4	19	23	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Jordan, Redeemer	12	28	10	38	32	5	..	5	..	19	15	..	..	5	10	15	..	..	..	..	23	23	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Grand Rapids, St. John's	18	29	15	44	..	1	5	6	9	†32	33	..	1	..	..	32	..	..	94	..	44	138	6	..	2	3	5	..	..	40	..	45	..	..	..	..
G'd Rapids, St. Matthew's	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	*30	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Grand Rapids, St. Beda's	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	*10	..	..	..	..	..	*10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenville, St. Paul's	31	68	25	93	90	..	..	..	..	71	51	1	2	14	35	49	..	2	50	6	19	75	8	2	2	2	4	12	18	30	20	..	268	..	..
Harbor Springs, St. John's	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	*5	..	..	..	..	..	*5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hart, St. Andrews	10	20	10	30	15	..	..	..	..	7	8	..	3	1	4	5	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Luther, Christ	20	25	10	35	35	..	2	2	2	24	23	2	5	5	15	20	..	..	16	..	..	16	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lyons, Grace	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	*26	..	..	..	..	..	*26	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mancelona, Nativity	15	30	15	45	35	1	..	1	1	16	15	2	2	5	10	15	..	..	15	1	14	30	9	..	..	4	4	10	20	30	15	5	75	..	..
Muskegon, St. Luke's	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	*18	..	..	..	..	..	*18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mt. Pleasant, St. John's	54	122	42	164	133	6	4	10	10	91	67	22	7	11	71	82	4	3	103	29	41	173	43	5	1	7	8	20	28	48	25	12	103	..	..	..
Newaygo, St. Mark's	25	35	20	55	45	2	..	2	..	40	35	..	..	10	25	35	..	..	5	..	..	5	3	..	2	5	7	10	25	35	20	3	..	..	..	..
Paw Paw, St. Mark's	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	*24	..	..	..	..	..	*12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pentwater, St. Jame's	40	45	35	80	70	3	1	4	..	50	50	..	3	7	40	47	..	2	22	..	1	23	11	..	2	4	6	15	35	50	30	5	..	..	..	..
Petoskey, Emmanuel	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	7	†83	83	10	10	..	..	83	4	3	148	9	61	218	56	2	4	7	11	..	..	50	40	26	200	..	..	..
Quincy, St. John's	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	*16	..	..	..	..	..	*16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rockford, St. James'	8	16	6	22	20	1	..	1	..	14	16	..	2	3	11	14	..	..	15	..	..	15	7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Haven, Epiphany	20	25	10	35	30	1	2	3	4	25	..	..	1	8	22	30	..	1	21	..	2	23	6	..	3	3	6	10	10	20	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sturgis, St. James'	47	63	32	95	82	2	..	2	3	50	49	3	9	15	34	49	..	1	63	8	40	111	5	..	1	4	5	10	15	25	17	..	..	..	..	..
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	27	65	14	79	53	2	..	2	3	45	44	4	5	11	32	43	1	2	50	..	..	50	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tustin, St. John's	12	20	12	32	30	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Three Rivers, Trinity	10	28	4	32	28	..	..	..	..	19	26	..	15	1	10	11	..	..	22	..	..	22	11	..	..	3	3	4	8	12	9	4	110	..	..	..
Whitehall, Redeemer	10	15	8	23	20	..	..	..	..	15	20	..	5	..	..	15	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.																																				
Clare, St. Ann's	12	30	10	40	‡25	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cadillac	6	10	5	15	12	..	..	..	1	12	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Plainfield	6	10	5	15	10	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Reed City	7	12	6	18	16	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	2	7	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sherman	12	15	8	23	20	1	..	1	..	12	..	..	..	4	4	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Schoolcraft, St. Stephen's	12	29	3	32	28	2	..	2	..	20	20	..	6	2	12	14	2	..	44	6	..	50	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total Missions	558			1481		38	16	54	55	1040		57	95			929	17	23				1235	231	11			77			454						
Total Parishes	2448			7484		163	92	252	246	4462						3965	86	195				4184	1271	91			214			1758						
Grand Total	3001			8965		201	108	306	301	5502						4894	103	218				5419	1502	102			291			2212						

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ASSESSMENT FOR 1899-1900.

Office of Treasurer of Diocese of Western Michigan.
IONIA, MICH., July 12th, 1899.

The following figures show a statement of the several amounts to be paid out of the fund raised by assessment upon parishes and the expenses of parishes and missions, as reported to the convention, upon which the assessment for the year 1899-1900 is made.

The amounts required for the current year are as follows:

For deficiency Episcopal Fund (to pay Bishop's salary	$ 1,675 00
For printing Journal of Convention	225 00
For salary Secretary of Convention	100 00
For expense of delegates to General Convention, 2d year's payment	100 00
For incidental expenses	50 00
Total to be provided for	$ 2,150 00
Aggregate of Parish expenses	$39,833 32
Rate of assessment, .055.	
Amount of assessment	$ 2,190 82

LIST OF PARISHES WITH CURRENT EXPENSES, RATE AND ASSESSMENT.

LOCATION	NAME OF PARISH.	EXPENSES	Rate	Assessment
Albion	St. James'	$ 406 52	5.5	$ 22 36
Allegan	Good Shepherd	1,094 54	5.5	60 20
Battle Creek	St. Thomas'	2,813 33	5.5	154 73
Big Rapids	St. Andrew's	241 30	5.5	13 27
Coldwater	St. Mark's	1,453 53	5.5	79 94
Elk Rapids	St. Paul's	606 01	5.5	33 33
Grand Haven	St. John's	840 70	5.5	46 24
Grand Rapids	St. Mark's	8,833 30	5.5	485 83
Grand Rapids	Grace	2,299 00	5.5	126 44
Grand Rapids	St. Paul's	1,058 54	5.5	58 22
Grand Rapids	Trinity	422 99	5.5	23 27
Hastings	Emmanuel	1,110 48	5.5	61 08
Holland	Grace	591 06	5.5	32 51
Homer	Christ	31 47	5.5	1 73
Ionia	St. John's	2,123 48	5.5	116 79
Kalamazoo	St. Luke's	4,348 79	5.5	239 18
Ludington	Grace	216 92	5.5	11 93
Manistee	Holy Trinity	960 19	5.5	53 81
Marshall	Trinity	1,421 35	5.5	78 17
Mendon	St. Paul's	303 35	5.5	16 68
Muskegon	St. Paul's	2,084 81	5.5	114 67
Niles	Trinity	1,648 11	5.5	90 75
Saugatuck	All Saints'	13 75	5.5	76
Traverse City	Grace	1,026 18	5.5	56 44
Union City	Grace	7 50	5.5	42
Schoolcraft	St. Stephen's	125 54	5.5	6 91
Total, Parishes		$36,082 74		$1,984 56

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LIST OF MISSIONS WITH CURRENT EXPENSES, RATE AND ASSESSMENT.

LOCATION	NAME OF MISSION	EXPENSES	Rate	Assessment
Baldwin	St. Matthew's	$ 2 00	5.5	$ 11
Benton Harbor	Holy Trinity	178 84	5.5	9 83
Cassopolis	St. James'	54 27	5.5	2 98
Central Lake	St. Matthias'	44 03	5.5	2 42
Charlevoix	Christ	34 37	5.5	1 89
Charlotte	Grace	65 35	5.5	3 59
Dowagiac	St. Alban's	59 30	5.5	3 26
East Jordan	Redeemer	27 45	5.5	1 51
Grand Rapids	St. John's	285 64	5.5	15 71
Grand Rapids	St. Matthew's	171 84	5 5	9 45
Grand Rapids	St. Beda's	19 68	5.5	1 08
Greenville	St. Paul's	332 63	5.5	18 29
Harbor Springs	St. John's	99 15	5.5	5 45
Hart	St. Andrew's	.....	....	.....
Luther	Christ	3 94	5.5	22
Lyons	Grace	18 00	5.5	99
Mancelona	Nativity	27 01	5.5	1 49
Muskegon	St. Luke's	53 40	5.5	2 94
Mt. Pleasant	St. John's	531 71	5.5	29 24
Newaygo	St. Mark's	95 00	5.5	5 23
Paw Paw	St. Mark's	53 07	5.5	2 92
Pentwater	St. James'	105 05	5.5	5 78
Petoskey	Emmannel	902 23	5.5	49 62
Quincy	St. John's	10 00	5.5	55
Rockford	St. James'	6 23	5.5	34
South Haven	Epiphany	81 89	5.5	4 50
Sturgis	St. James'	268 38	5.5	14 76
St. Joseph	St. Paul's	160 75	5.5	8 84
Tustin	St. Johannes'	4 00	5.5	22
Three Rivers	Trinity	54 12	5.5	2 98
Whitehall	Redeemer	1 25	5.5	07
Totals Parishes and Missions		$39,833 32	....	$2,190 82

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1899.

CLERGY—		
Bishop	1	
Priests	35	
Deacons	1	
		37
Ordinations to the Priesthood	1	
Ordinations to the Deaconate	1	
Candidates for Holy Orders, Priests	2	
Postulants	1	
Lay Readers Licensed	13	
Number of Church Buildings	49	
Missions Organized	1	
Number of Parishes	25	
Organized Missions	32	
Unorganized Missions	6	
Churches Consecrated	2	
BAPTISMS—		
Infants	211	
Adults	111	
		322
Confirmations—Bishop's Report	338	
Marriages	103	
Burials	218	
No. of families reported, 25 parishes, 29 missions	3001	
No. of souls reported	8965	
No. of baptized persons, report only partial		
Sunday School Teachers and Officers reported	291	
Sunday School Scholars reported	2212	
Whole number of confirmed reported	5502	
Communicants reported	4894	
Increase in number of Communicants	30	
Whole number of sittings	11735	

VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY—		
Churches and Chapels	$403,392 00	
Rectories	35,350 00	
Other property	73,267 00	
Total property		$512,009 00
Total insurance carried		181,125 00
Total indebtedness		34,721 87

SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL DISBURSEMENTS—		
Communion Alms	$ 907 36	
Salaries and current expenses including insurance and interest	43,148 88	
Increase of Church property	2,205 88	
Reduction of indebtedness	26,656 92	

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For Sunday Schools	216 03	
Balance in hands of treasurers	1,791 14	
Total		$71,959 10
For Diocesan Objects—		
Diocesan Missions	$ 1,945 19	
Diocesan Assessment	1,985 99	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	218 18	
Bishop's Trust Fund	154 04	
By Woman's Auxiliary	48 35	
Sunday School in the Diocese	130 35	
Deaf Mute Fund	35 92	
Akeley Institute	18 75	
Other objects in the Diocese	99 37	
Total		$ 4,467 24
For Objects Exterior to the Diocese—		
General Missions	$ 816 41	
Domestic Misions	128 17	
Foreign Missions	254 12	
Missions to Colored People	18 35	
Indian Missions		
Jewish Missions	28 67	
Bible and Prayer Book Society	12 13	
American Church Building Fund	1 60	
*By Women's Societies	586 54	
*By Sunday Schools	510 03	
Other objects	241 96	
Total		$ 1,501 57
Total for all purposes, including balances		79,896 50

*Not included in total.

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J. N. RIPPEY, Secretary.

A FORM OF BEQUEST.

To the Association of the Diocese of Western Michian, a body Corporate under the Laws of the State of Michigan, and empowered to receive and hold any property, real or personal, for the use and benefit of said Diocese:

I hereby give, devise and bequeath, unto the Association of the Diocese of Western Michigan the sum of.....Dollars, for

(a) The uses and purposes of said Association; or

(b) For the uses of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen and Widows and Orphans of the Clergy; or

(c) For the uses of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese; or

(d) For the Missions of the Diocese; or

(e) For the Rectory Building Fund, or for any other specific use of the Diocese; or

(f) For.....Parish....., the annual proceeds thereof to be devoted to the support of the Rector, or to repairs of the Church, or to any other Parochial object specified.

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